

LOVE LETTERS

NO, DON'T
GO, DREW!
WAIT!
PLEASE!

YOU THINK YOU CAN GET
AWAY WITH ANYTHING, DON'T
YOU, BETTY? YOU DON'T CARE WHOM
YOU HURT! WELL I'VE SEEN WHAT
YOU ARE AND I'M *THROUGH!*

See-

MY SHAMELESS VANITY

WE WERE MEANT
FOR EACH OTHER
MY STEADY'S
OTHER GIRL
WHICH PATH IS MINE

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IT DIDN'T SEEM POSSIBLE THAT ANYTHING COULD SHATTER MY HAPPINESS WHEN CHARLIE ELMSFORD ASKED ME TO BE HIS STEADY! BUT OUT OF THE DARKNESS CAME ANOTHER GIRL... ONE TO WHOM HE HAD ALSO PLEDGED HIS HEART! AND SO, WITH ANGUISH AND SORROW, I ENDED MY ROMANCE BECAUSE OF...

My Steady's Other Girl

WHAT A COINCIDENCE!
THERE'S MY FIANCE
NOW! HE'S THE BOY
I'M GOING TO MARRY
SOON!

I-IT COULDN'T BE! THAT'S MY
STEADY BOY FRIEND, CHARLIE!
OH, DEAR... DON'T TELL ME
HE'S BEEN CHEATING ON
BOTH OF US!



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CHANCE BROUGHT ABOUT MY MEETING WITH CHARLIE ELMSFORD! I HAPPENED TO LOOK OUT MY LIVING ROOM WINDOW AS A RAIN-STORM SWEEP CENTER CITY!

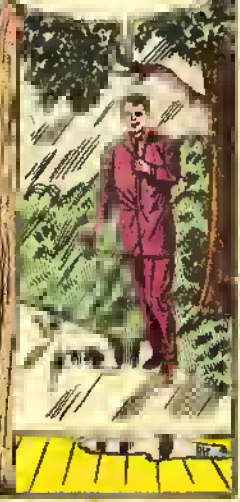
GOODNESS, IT'S RAINING CATS AND DOGS! OH, THAT POOR BOY HUDDLED BENEATH THE TREE... IT WILL NEVER SHELTER HIM FROM THE STORM! PERHAPS I CAN HELP HIM!



XOO HOO! YOU'RE WELCOME TO STAY HERE ON THE PORCH UNTIL THE DOWNPOUR IS OVER! I'M SURE YOU'LL BE SOAKED TO THE SKIN IF YOU DON'T!



I AGREE WITH YOU! THANKS FOR THE INVITATION, MISS!



AS CHARLIE MADE A MAD DASH FOR THE PORCH I DIDN'T REALIZE THAT HE WAS RACING INTO MY LIFE... AND HEART!

WOW! IT'S REALLY COMING DOWN! YOU'RE A LIFESAVER, MISS!

I'M AFRAID I CAME TO YOUR RESCUE A LITTLE TOO LATE! YOU'RE COMPLETELY WET! LET'S GO INSIDE WHERE YOU CAN DRY OFF!



AFTER INTRODUCTIONS CHARLIE AND I CHATTED ON AND ON! MOTHER WAS A DARLING ABOUT THE WHOLE AFFAIR!

REALLY, MRS. GATES... IT'S NOT NECESSARY! MY COAT WILL DRY IN TIME!

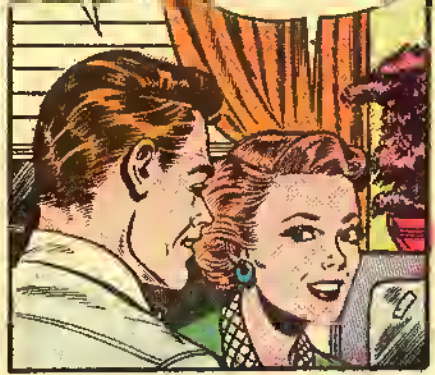
NONSENSE, YOUNG MAN! YOU'LL CATCH YOUR DEATH OF COLD IN THAT COAT! NOW DON'T ARGUE WITH ME...

BELIEVE ME, CHARLIE, DO AS MOTHER SAYS! SHE ALWAYS HAS HER WAY!



GOSH, NANCY, I DON'T KNOW HOW TO THANK YOU FOR ALL THIS! I HOPE I'M NOT IMPOSING!

IT'S ALWAYS OPEN HOUSE AT THE GATES HOME, CHARLIE! WHY DON'T I TURN ON THE TV! THAT'S ONE WAY TO KILL TIME UNTIL THE STORM STOPS!



CHARLIE CAPTURED MY IMAGINATION ALMOST IMMEDIATELY! AS WE SAT THERE WATCHING TV, I COULDN'T HELP BUT STARE AT HIM!

HO, HO... THAT CLOWN'S A RIOT!

CHARLIE'S SO VERY HANDSOME! I DON'T KNOW WHEN I'VE BEEN ATTRACTED TO A BOY SO MUCH! I DO HOPE I SEE HIM AGAIN!



MY WISH CAME TRUE AS CHARLIE WAS ABOUT TO LEAVE AFTER THE STORM!

PERHAPS WE CAN GET TOGETHER AGAIN... WITHOUT THE HELP OF A RAINSTORM, NANCY! I'D LIKE TO REPAY YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS! I'D LIKE TO TAKE YOU OUT SOMETIME SOON!

IT'S A DATE, CHARLIE! COULD YOU LET ME KNOW WHEN... SO I COULD PLAN AHEAD?



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WELL, ER... I'VE GOT SORT OF A CRAZY JOB! IT KEEPS ME WORKING AT ALL HOURS! SUPPOSING I GIVE YOU A CALL WHEN I KNOW THAT I'M GOING TO BE FREE!

WONDERFUL! GOODBYE, CHARLIE, IT'S BEEN NICE MEETING YOU!

EACH DAY WAS TORTURE FOR ME AS I ANXIOUSLY AWAITED CHARLIE'S CALL! I WAS ABOUT TO GIVE UP HOPE WHEN...

OH, PLEASE LET IT BE CHARLIE! I MUST SEE HIM AGAIN... I MUST!

...MY PLEA WAS GRANTED!

...AND SINCE I'M SURE TO BE OFF FROM WORK FRIDAY NIGHT, I THOUGHT WE MIGHT TAKE IN A MOVIE TOGETHER! CAN YOU MAKE IT?

FORTUNATELY I DON'T HAVE A DATE FOR FRIDAY, CHARLIE! I'D LOVE TO GO... SEE YOU ABOUT SEVEN!

FRIDAY... I CAN HARDLY WAIT! OH, DEAR, MY HAIR IS A MESS! I MUST LOOK MY BEST FOR CHARLIE! I'LL GO TO THE BEAUTY SALON FIRST THING TOMORROW!

I MET JUDY BENDIX AT THE CENTER CITY BEAUTY SALON! WE STRUCK UP A CASUAL CONVERSATION AS GIRLS DO IN THE HAIR-DRESSERS!

I DO HOPE MY HAIR COMES OUT RIGHT, JUDY! FRIDAY'S A VERY BIG EVENING FOR ME!

YOU MUST BE OUT TO LAND A MAN, NANCY! I USED TO WORRY MYSELF SICK TOO... UNTIL I BEGAN GOING STEADY WITH DAVID!

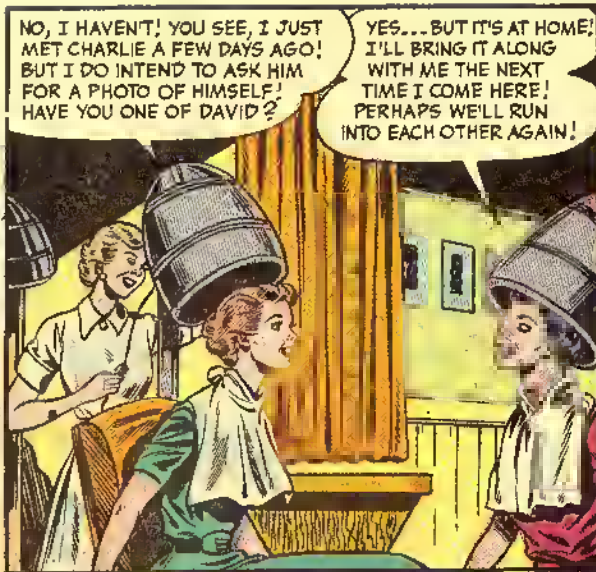
OH, YOU HAVE A STEADY? WHAT'S HE LIKE, JUDY?

HE'S A REAL DREAM, MY DAVID! EVERY ONE OF MY FRIENDS TRIED TO CATCH HIM... BUT I BEAT THEM TO IT! YOU'VE GOT TO FIGHT FOR WHAT YOU WANT, NANCY... EVEN A MAN!

I-I SUPPOSE YOU'RE RIGHT AT THAT! I WONDER IF THERE'S SOMEONE ELSE IN CHARLIE'S LIFE? HE'S SO HANDSOME IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE THERE ISN'T!

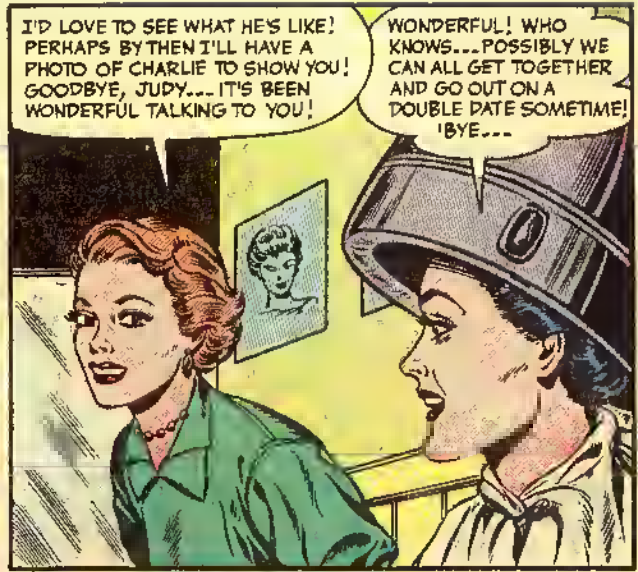
TAKE MY ADVICE AND WIN HIM OVER BY HOOK OR CROOK! WHAT'S THIS CHARLIE LIKE, NANCY? HAVE YOU A PICTURE OF HIM?

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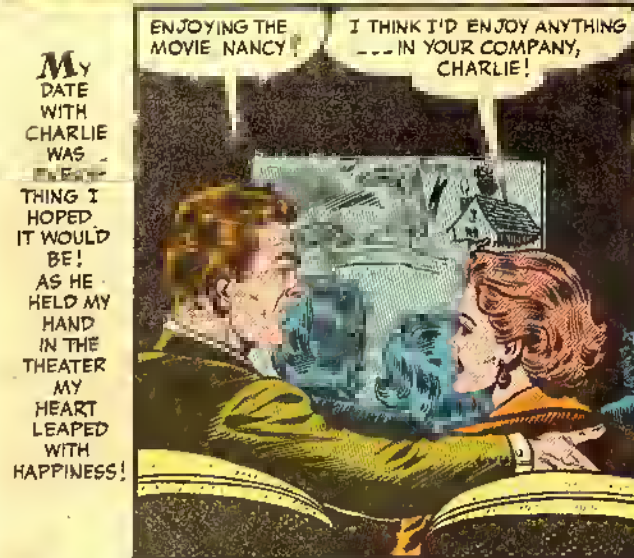
NO, I HAVEN'T! YOU SEE, I JUST MET CHARLIE A FEW DAYS AGO! BUT I DO INTEND TO ASK HIM FOR A PHOTO OF HIMSELF! HAVE YOU ONE OF DAVID?

YES... BUT IT'S AT HOME! I'LL BRING IT ALONG WITH ME THE NEXT TIME I COME HERE! PERHAPS WE'LL RUN INTO EACH OTHER AGAIN!



I'D LOVE TO SEE WHAT HE'S LIKE! PERHAPS BY THEN I'LL HAVE A PHOTO OF CHARLIE TO SHOW YOU! GOODBYE, JUDY... IT'S BEEN WONDERFUL TALKING TO YOU!

WONDERFUL! WHO KNOWS... POSSIBLY WE CAN ALL GET TOGETHER AND GO OUT ON A DOUBLE DATE SOMETIME! 'BYE...



ENJOYING THE MOVIE NANCY!

I THINK I'D ENJOY ANYTHING... IN YOUR COMPANY, CHARLIE!

My DATE WITH CHARLIE WAS THE BEST THING I HOPED IT WOULD BE! AS HE HELD MY HAND IN THE THEATER MY HEART LEAPED WITH HAPPINESS!



I'LL NEVER FORGET THAT FIRST KISS AS LONG AS I LIVE! IT HAPPENED AS CHARLIE SAW ME HOME THAT EVENING!

OH, CHARLIE, CHARLIE... I WANT TO WIN YOUR HEART SO VERY MUCH! I'VE NEVER HAD A CRUSH LIKE THIS ON ANYONE BEFORE!



I GUESS I DON'T HAVE TO TELL YOU HOW I FEEL, NANCY! IT'S PROBABLY WRITTEN ALL OVER MY FACE! I WANT TO SEE A LOT OF YOU... IF I MAY!

OF COURSE, CHARLIE! IF YOU'RE REALLY SERIOUS I'LL KEEP ALL MY EVENINGS OPEN FOR YOU!



CHARLIE DATED ME COUNTLESS TIMES IN THE WEEKS AHEAD! IT WAS MY DREAM COME TRUE!

GOSH, HONEY, I'VE NEVER BEEN SO HAPPY IN ALL MY LIFE! MEETING YOU WAS THE BIGGEST THING THAT'S EVER HAPPENED TO ME!

YES... WE'RE ALMOST GOING STEADY!



I SAID IT ON THE IMPULSE OF THE MOMENT! MY HINT FELL ON DEAF EARS!

H-HUH? YEAH, SURE! LET'S TAKE A BREAK, NANCY!

ALL RIGHT...

HE MUST HAVE HEARD ME! WHY DID HE CHANGE THE SUBJECT? PERHAPS, HE'S WAITING FOR THE PROPER TIME AND MOMENT TO ASK ME TO GO STEADY!

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AND I WAS RIGHT! FOR THE VERY NEXT EVENING CHARLIE ASKED ME!

NANCY, HONEY, I'VE BEEN WANTING TO ASK YOU THIS FOR DAYS...WOULD YOU GO STEADY WITH ME? YOU'RE EVERYTHING I'VE EVER WANTED IN A GIRL!

OH, CHARLIE...OF COURSE I WILL!

I THINK WE'VE FOUND THAT WE'RE MEANT FOR EACH OTHER, SWEET...

YES, YES, WE ARE DEAREST...

IT WAS THEN THAT CHARLIE BROUGHT ME TO HIS HOME WHERE HE LIVED ALONE WITH HIS FATHER!

CHARLIE'S TOLD ME QUITE A BIT ABOUT YOU, YOUNG LADY! I'M GLAD HE FINALLY FOUND TIME TO LET ME SEE YOU IN PERSON!

SO AM I, MR. ELMSFORD! IT'S BEEN WONDERFUL MEETING YOU!

WE'D BETTER BE RUNNING ALONG, NANCY! DAD HAS TO GET HIS REST... HE LEAVES FOR WORK EARLY IN THE

GOOD NIGHT, KIDS! HAVE A GOOD TIME...I ONLY WISH I WAS YOUNG AGAIN! IF I DIDN'T HAVE MY JOB I GUESS I'D JUST GO TO SEED THESE DAYS!

OH, MR. ELMSFORD! I'M SURE YOU'RE JOKING!

GOOD NIGHT, DAD!

LATER...

IT'S BEEN A WONDERFUL EVENING, CHARLIE! I'VE...HAD LOADS OF FUN!

THAT'S SWELL, NANCY! GEE, I ALMOST FORGOT... SATURDAY NIGHT IS THE DATE OF THE BIG RIVERSIDE CLUB DANCE! WE MUSTN'T MISS THAT...I'LL PICK YOU UP AT EIGHT!

ARE YOU SURE THIS TIME YOU WON'T HAVE TO WORK THAT EVENING? YOU DID MENTION ONCE THAT YOU HAVE SORT OF A SECRET JOB!

NOTHING BUT NOTHING IS GOING TO KEEP US FROM THAT GALA SHINDIG! REMEMBER, WE'RE GOING STEADY NOW! 'NIGHT, SWEET!

THAT FRIDAY I WAS IN A CAREFREE MOOD AS I WENT TO THE BEAUTY SALON TO HAVE MY HAIR DONE FOR THE DANCE!

CHAIR TWO, MISS GATES!

NANCY, HOW HAVE YOU BEEN? I'M GLAD YOU'RE JOINING ME... IT GETS SO BORING SITTING HERE ALONE!

HI, JUDY! I WAS HOPING YOU'D BE HERE TODAY!

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I FINALLY GOT HOLD OF A PICTURE OF CHARLIE...HE'S ASKED ME TO GO STEADY!

WONDERFUL...AND I HAVE A PHOTO OF DAVID! MMM, WAIT UNTIL YOU SEE THE MAN IN MY LIFE!



AT LEAST NOW WE'LL KNOW WHAT OUR MUTUAL BOY FRIENDS LOOK LIKE WHEN WE DISCUSS THEM!

GODNESS! I BET THEY'D BE WILD IF THEY COULD HEAR US TALKING LIKE THIS...



SUDDENLY, AS I CLUTCHED JUDY'S PICTURE, THE WORLD SEEMED TO DROP OUT FROM UNDER ME! I COULDN'T BELIEVE MY EYES!

W-WHY IT CAN'T BE...

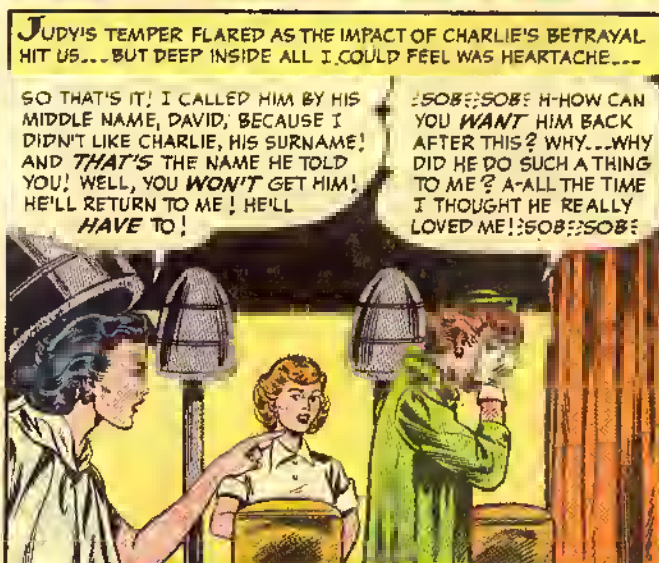
W-WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS? YOU'RE PLAYING A TRICK ON ME OF SOME SORT, NANCY!



I'M PLAYING A TRICK! WHY, THIS PICTURE YOU GAVE ME IS CHARLIE... MY STEADY BOY FRIEND!

AND THIS IS A PICTURE OF MY STEADY BOY FRIEND, DAVID! JUST A MINUTE... YOU MUST BE THE REASON HE'S BEEN SO UNCERTAIN ABOUT OUR DATES LATELY... THE REASON HE'S NEVER SURE

DOES HE CAN SEE ME!



JUDY'S TEMPER FLARED AS THE IMPACT OF CHARLIE'S BETRAYAL HIT US... BUT DEEP INSIDE ALL I COULD FEEL WAS HEARTACHE...

SO THAT'S IT! I CALLED HIM BY HIS MIDDLE NAME, DAVID, BECAUSE I DIDN'T LIKE CHARLIE, HIS SURNAME! AND THAT'S THE NAME HE TOLD YOU! WELL, YOU WON'T GET HIM! HE'LL RETURN TO ME! HE'LL HAVE TO!

SOB! SOB! H-HOW CAN YOU WANT HIM BACK AFTER THIS? WHY... WHY DID HE DO SUCH A THING TO ME? A-ALL THE TIME I THOUGHT HE REALLY LOVED ME! SOB! SOB!



I'M WARNING YOU, NANCY... YOU'D BETTER STAY AWAY FROM HIM! HE'S MY MAN AND YOU'LL NEVER WIN HIM!

D-DON'T WORRY... YOU CAN HAVE HIM...

AT HOME THAT AFTERNOON I THREW MYSELF UPON THE SOFA... I COULDN'T BRING MYSELF TO BELIEVE THAT SUCH A TERRIBLE THING HAD HAPPENED!



IT'S ALL SO UNREAL... SO NIGHTMARISH... THE MAN I LOVE GOING STEADY WITH ANOTHER... WHO CAN THAT BE AT THE DOOR?

BRINNG!

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AS I OPENED THE DOOR...

HI, HONEY! THOUGHT I'D DROP IN ON MY WAY HOME FROM WORK AND SEE WHAT KIND OF CORGAGE YOU WANTED FOR TOMORROW NIGHT!



OH... YOU DID!

YOU CAN JUST ANSWER ME ONE QUESTION, CHARLIE! HAVE YOU OR HAVE YOU NOT BEEN SEEING JUDY BENDIX AS A STEADY GIRL FRIEND?



O-OH, SO YOU FOUND OUT...

YES, I DID! AND I THINK YOU'RE THE LOWEST TYPE OF PERSON I'VE EVER MET! I-I JUST DON'T KNOW HOW I EVER COULD HAVE FALLEN IN LOVE WITH SUCH A CRUEL, DECEITFUL MAN!



NANCY, WAIT! YOU HAVE EVERY RIGHT TO THINK I'M A HEEL... BUT PLEASE, LET ME EXPLAIN!

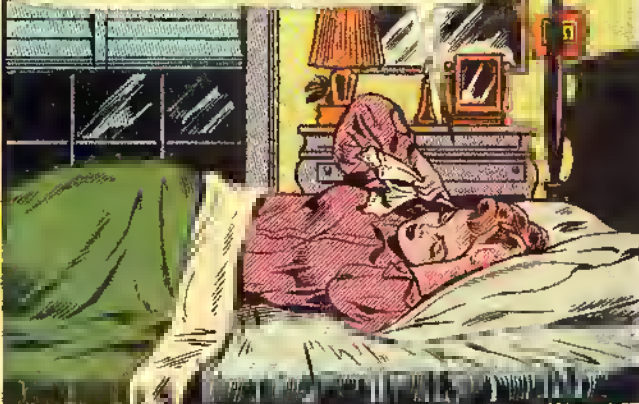
T-THERE'S NO POSSIBLE EXPLANATION FOR SUCH A TERRIBLE BETRAYAL! I-I NEVER WANT TO SEE YOU AGAIN!



NANCY... NANCY...

THAT NIGHT I CRIED MYSELF TO SLEEP...

I-I NEVER WANT TO SEE HIM AGAIN... NOT AFTER WHAT CHARLIE HAS DONE TO ME! I MUST PUT HIM OUT OF MY MIND NO MATTER HOW MUCH I LOVE HIM... I-I MUST... I WON'T SEE HIM EVER AGAIN!



BUT NEXT DAY AS I WAS SHOPPING DOWNTOWN...

NANCY, WAIT...

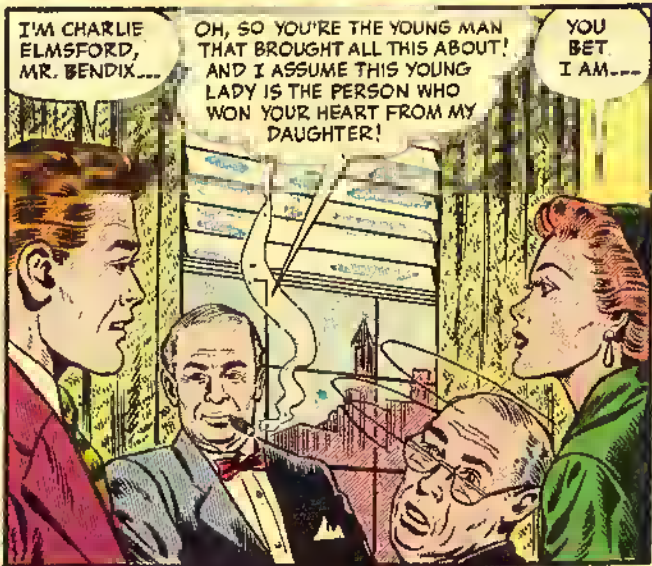
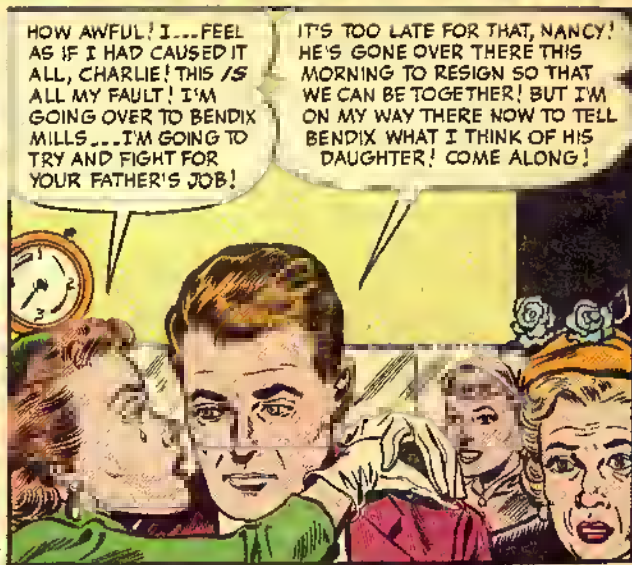
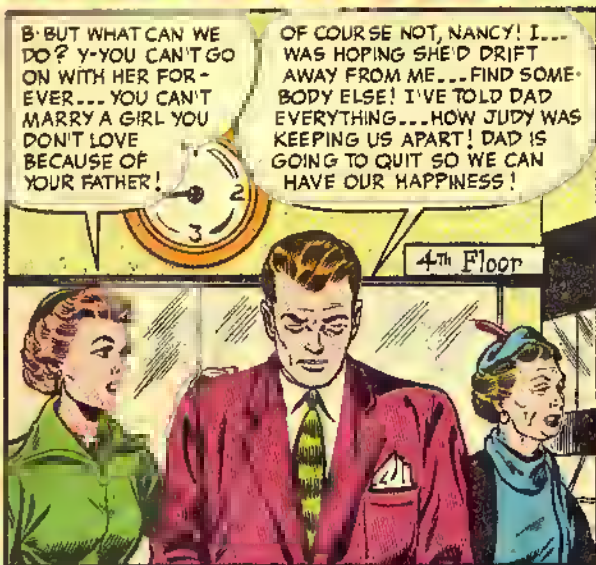
CHARLIE... I-I WON'T SPEAK TO HIM...

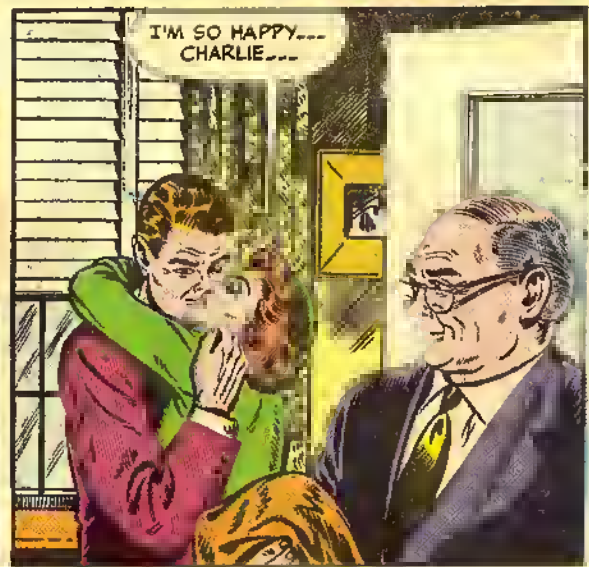
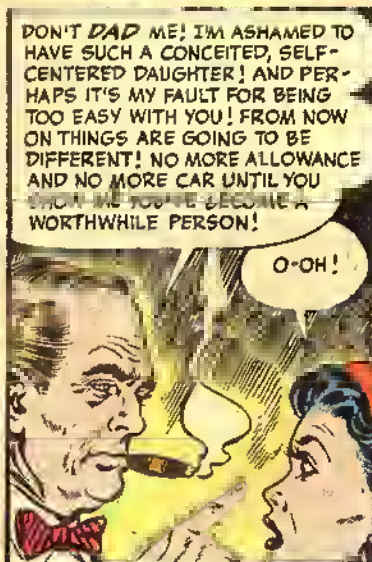
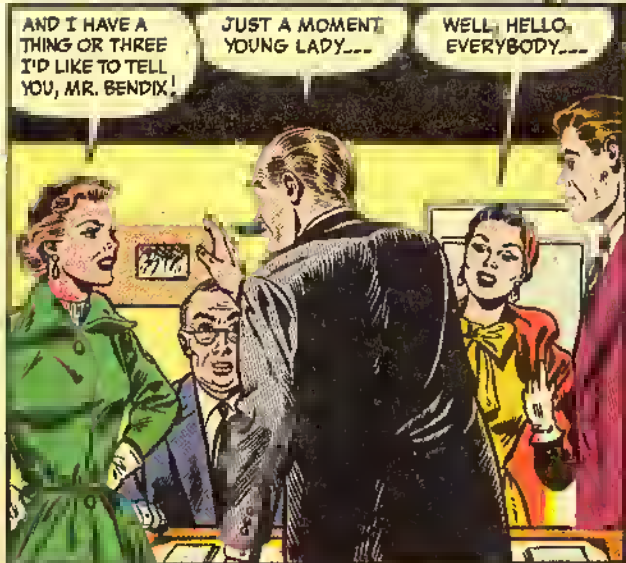


PLEASE, YOU'VE GOT TO LISTEN TO ME, NANCY...



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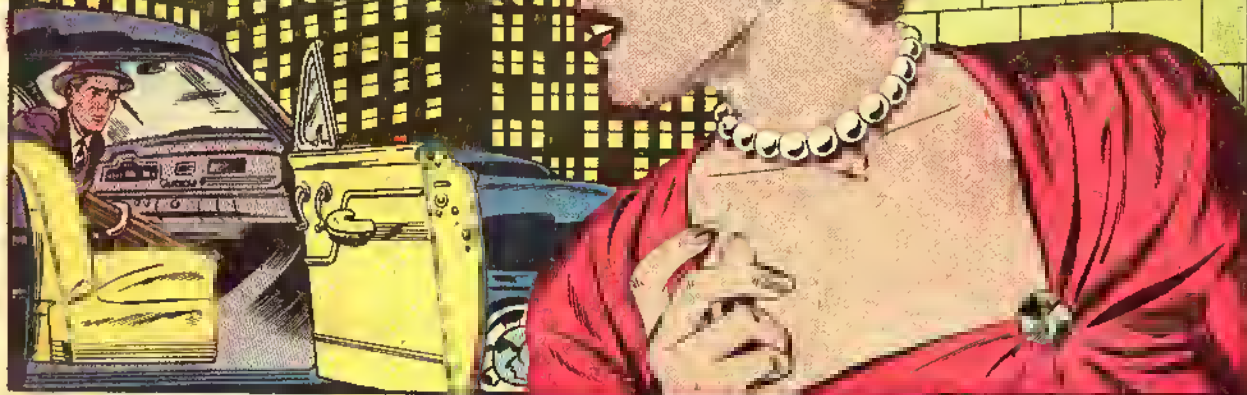


We Were Meant For Each Other

IF THIS IS THE WAY YOU'RE GOING TO ACT, WE MIGHT AS WELL BREAK OFF, DORIS!

I-I DON'T CARE! I HAVE EVERY RIGHT TO BE JEALOUS AND SUSPICIOUS OF YOU! :SOB::SOB: G-GOOD-BYE, JERRY!

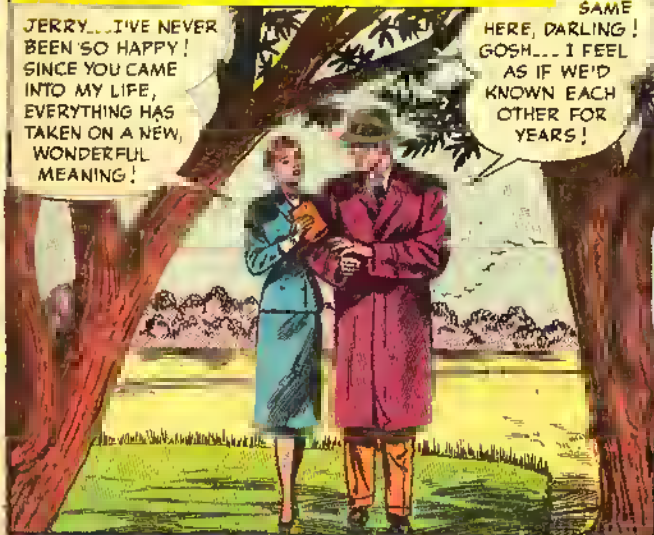
JERRY HAD BEEN THE ONE MAN IN MY LIFE! WE THOUGHT NOTHING COULD EVER CAUSE US TO PART! BUT THEN THE SEEDS OF JEALOUSY AND SUSPICION WERE PLANTED IN MY HEART AND OUR GREAT LOVE TURNED TO ASHES!



I HAD KNOWN JERRY WATERS FOR ONLY FIVE WEEKS... BUT ALREADY WE KNEW WE WERE MEANT FOR EACH OTHER!

JERRY... I'VE NEVER BEEN SO HAPPY! SINCE YOU CAME INTO MY LIFE, EVERYTHING HAS TAKEN ON A NEW, WONDERFUL MEANING!

SAME HERE, DARLING! GOSH... I FEEL AS IF WE'D KNOWN EACH OTHER FOR YEARS!

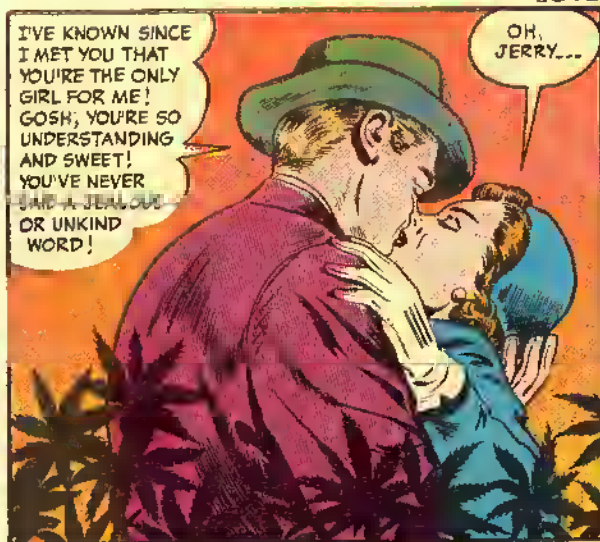


MAYBE THAT'S BECAUSE WE'VE BOTH FINALLY FOUND THE PERSON WE WANT!

NO MAYBE'S ABOUT IT FOR ME, DORIS!

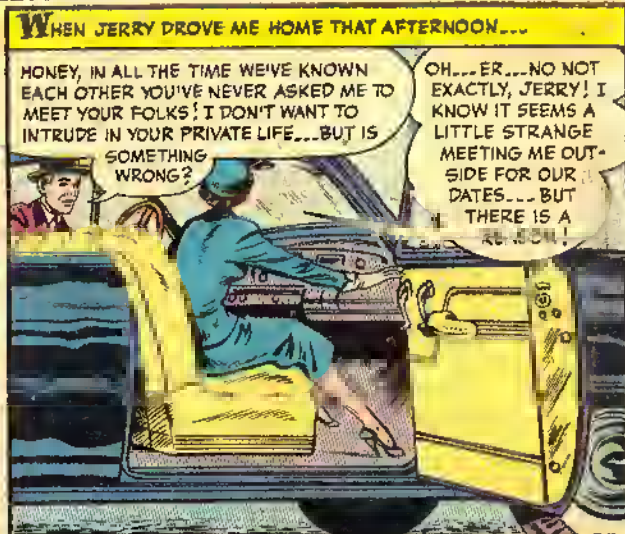


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I'VE KNOWN SINCE I MET YOU THAT YOU'RE THE ONLY GIRL FOR ME! GOSH; YOU'RE SO UNDERSTANDING AND SWEET! YOU'VE NEVER SAID A JEALOUS OR UNKIND WORD!

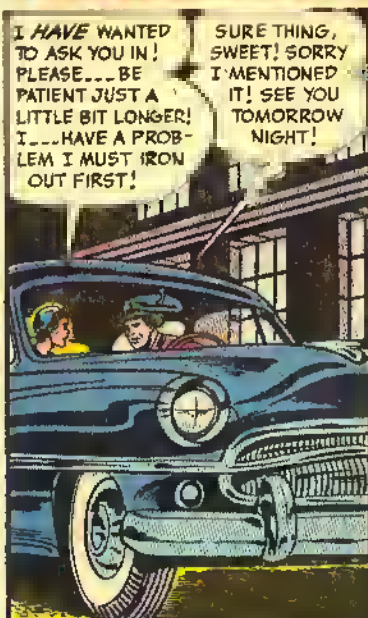
OH, JERRY...



WHEN JERRY DROVE ME HOME THAT AFTERNOON...

MONEY, IN ALL THE TIME WE'VE KNOWN EACH OTHER YOU'VE NEVER ASKED ME TO MEET YOUR FOLKS! I DON'T WANT TO INTRUDE IN YOUR PRIVATE LIFE...BUT IS SOMETHING WRONG?

OH...ER...NO NOT EXACTLY, JERRY! I KNOW IT SEEMS A LITTLE STRANGE MEETING ME OUTSIDE FOR OUR DATES...BUT THERE IS A REASON!



I HAVE WANTED TO ASK YOU IN! PLEASE...BE PATIENT JUST A LITTLE BIT LONGER! I...HAVE A PROBLEM I MUST IRON OUT FIRST!

SURE THING, SWEET! SORRY I MENTIONED IT! SEE YOU TOMORROW NIGHT!

YES, I DID HAVE A PROBLEM...A SECRET I HAD KEPT FROM JERRY ALL THESE WEEKS! AND I WAS DETERMINED TO PUT AN END TO MY DECEPTION!



I-I CAN'T PUT IT OFF ANY LONGER! NO MATTER HOW MUCH IT MIGHT HURT I'VE GOT TO TELL LANA EVERYTHING! AND I HAVEN'T EVEN CONFESSED TO JERRY THAT I LIVE WITH HER AND NOT MY FOLKS!



LANA WAS MY ROOMMATE...AND JERRY WAS HER OLD BEAU!

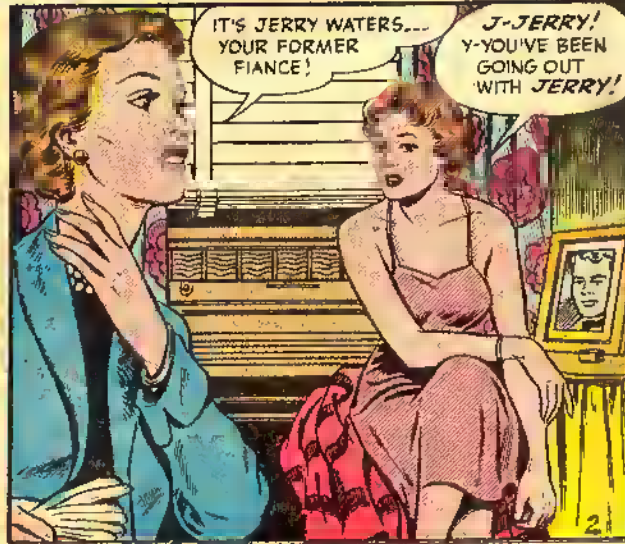
HI, DORIS, HOW WAS YOUR DATE? I'M JUST GETTING READY TO GO OUT MYSELF! WHO WAS IT THIS TIME...THAT NEW BOY FRIEND, JOE DOWNS?

IT WAS MY NEW BOY FRIEND, LANA...MY ONE AND ONLY BOY FRIEND...



...BUT HIS NAME ISN'T JOE DOWNS!

OH? I THOUGHT YOU TOLD ME THAT WAS HIS NAME!



IT'S JERRY WATERS...YOUR FORMER FIANCE!

J-JERRY! Y-YOU'VE BEEN GOING OUT WITH JERRY!

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I GUSHED OUT THE WHOLE STORY TO LANA... PRAYING SHE WOULD UNDERSTAND!

DON'T YOU SEE, I MET HIM AT THE TOWN HALL DANCE WITHOUT REALIZING WHO HE WAS AT FIRST! THEN, WHEN I FOUND OUT, I WAS AFRAID TO HURT YOU BY TELLING YOU I WAS DATING YOUR FORMER

DORIS, HOW SWEET OF YOU! BUT, REALLY, YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE FELT THAT WAY! IT'S OVER WITH JERRY AND IT DOESN'T BOTHER ME A BIT! I... ONLY HOPE YOU DON'T GET HURT AS I WAS!



MY HEART SOARED WITH HAPPINESS AS I WATCHED LANA LEAVE!

SHE UNDERSTANDS... AND SHE ISN'T BITTER ABOUT IT! I'LL BE ABLE TO BRING JERRY HOME NOW! I'LL TRY TO HAVE HIM HERE WHEN SHE'S NOT AT HOME, BUT IF THEY SHOULD MEET NOW IT WON'T MATTER!



SEVERAL DAYS LATER I HAD JERRY CALL UPON ME!

GREAT CATS! SO THAT WAS IT... YOU WERE LIVING WITH LANA! I... CAN UNDERSTAND HOW AWKWARD YOU MUST HAVE FELT ABOUT BRINGING ME HERE!

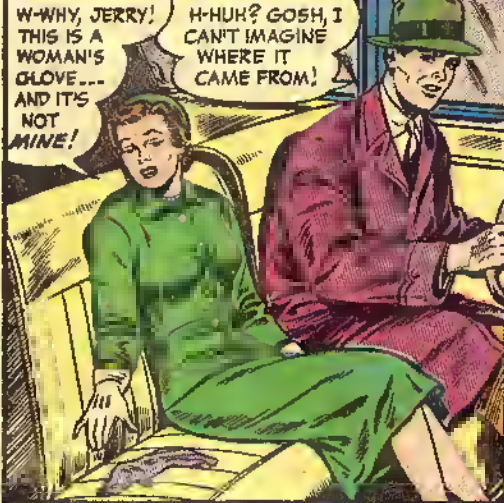
BUT NOT ANY MORE, DARLING! LANA UNDERSTANDS! SHALL WE LEAVE FOR THE MOVIES NOW?



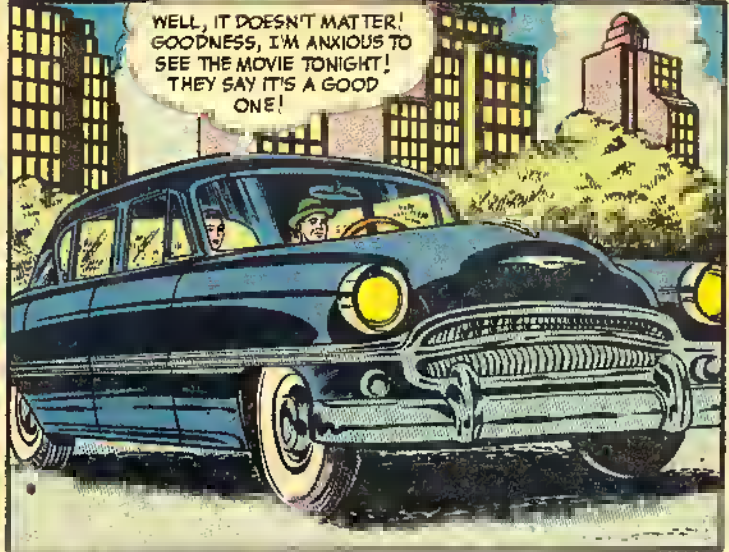
AS WE ENTERED JERRY'S CAR OUTSIDE...

W-WHY, JERRY! THIS IS A WOMAN'S GLOVE... AND IT'S NOT MINE!

H-HUH? GOSH, I CAN'T IMAGINE WHERE IT CAME FROM!



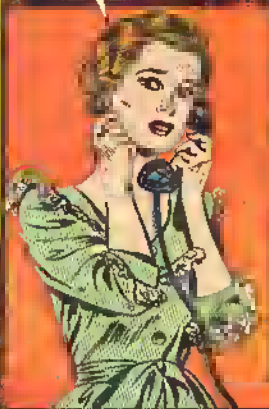
WELL, IT DOESN'T MATTER! GOODNESS, I'M ANXIOUS TO SEE THE MOVIE TONIGHT! THEY SAY IT'S A GOOD ONE!



YES, I SHRUGGED THE GLOVE INCIDENT ASIDE! I WASN'T SUSPICIOUS OF JERRY'S AFFECTION FOR ME! LATER IN THE WEEK...

OH, JERRY, YOU MEAN WE'VE GOT TO MISS THE BIG DANCE TONIGHT? I WAS COUNTING ON IT SO! I'M SO DISAPPOINTED!

GEE, HONEY, I'M SORRY TO DISAPPOINT YOU BUT I JUST HAVE TO WORK LATE TONIGHT! I'LL BE OVER TOMORROW AND WE'LL GO OUT FOR LUNCH!



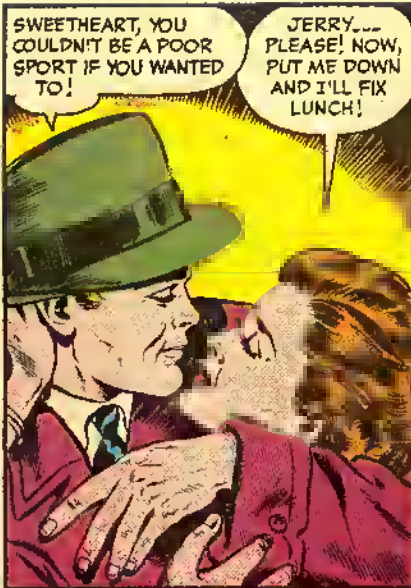
THE NEXT DAY WHEN JERRY ARRIVED...

HI, SUGAR, ALL READY TO GO?

OH, JERRY, LET'S HAVE LUNCH HERE! I'LL MAKE IT! HONEY, I HOPE I DIDN'T SOUND LIKE A POOR SPORT LAST NIGHT!



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SWEETHEART, YOU COULDN'T BE A POOR SPORT IF YOU WANTED TO!

JERRY... PLEASE! NOW, PUT ME DOWN AND I'LL FIX LUNCH!



JERRY AND I HAD A WONDERFUL TIME JUST BEING TOGETHER THAT AFTERNOON, AND I HAD NO INKLING OF THE SORROW THAT WAS TO DARKEN OUR ROMANCE!

GEE, IT'S REALLY BEEN SWELL! TOMORROW WE'LL TAKE A LONG RIDE IN THE COUNTRY AND IT WILL COMPLETE A PERFECT WEEKEND!



IT WAS WHEN I WAS CLEANING UP AFTER JERRY LEFT THAT I FOUND IT! LANA HAD JUST RETURNED HOME AND...

SO YOU HAD JERRY OVER FOR LUNCH... THAT MUST HAVE BEEN FUN!

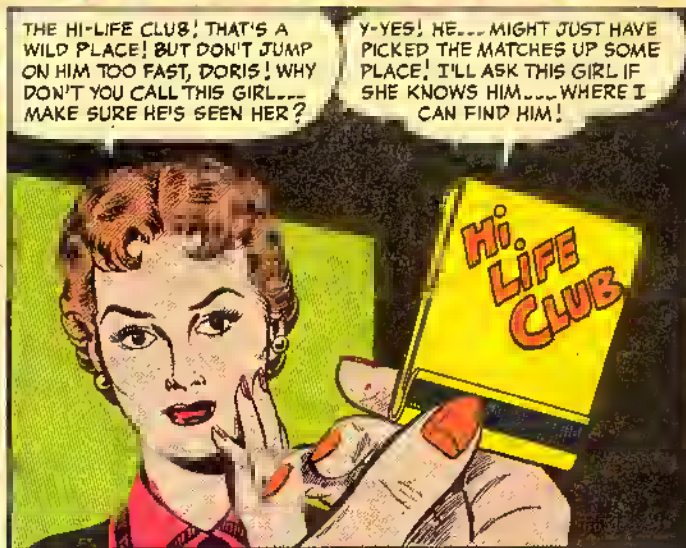
YES, IT WAS... JERRY LEFT HIS MATCHES...



THEN I NOTICED A MESSAGE ON THE MATCHBOOK WHICH MADE MY HEAD SPIN...

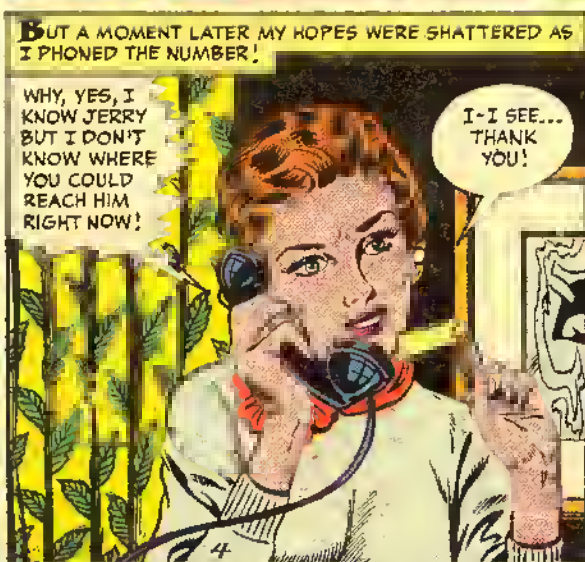
OH-H-H!

WHAT'S WRONG, DORIS?



THE HI-LIFE CLUB! THAT'S A WILD PLACE! BUT DON'T JUMP ON HIM TOO FAST, DORIS! WHY DON'T YOU CALL THIS GIRL... MAKE SURE HE'S SEEN HER?

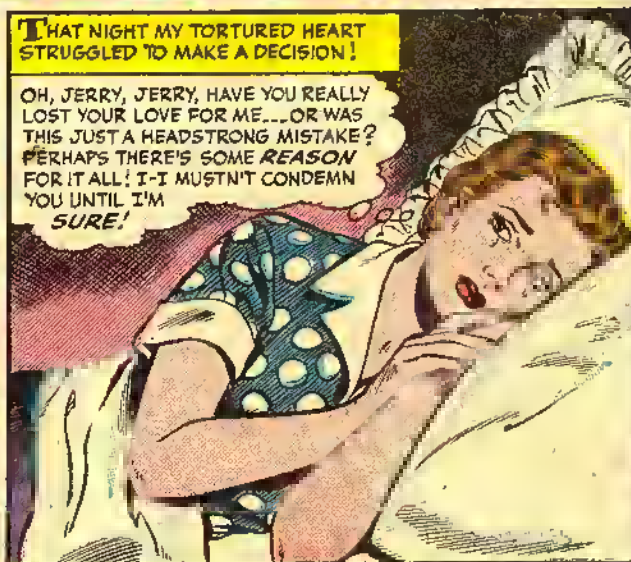
Y-YES! HE... MIGHT JUST HAVE PICKED THE MATCHES UP SOME PLACE! I'LL ASK THIS GIRL IF SHE KNOWS HIM... WHERE I CAN FIND HIM!



BUT A MOMENT LATER MY HOPES WERE SHATTERED AS I PHONED THE NUMBER!

WHY, YES, I KNOW JERRY BUT I DON'T KNOW WHERE YOU COULD REACH HIM RIGHT NOW!

I-I SEE... THANK YOU!



THAT NIGHT MY TORTURED HEART STRUGGLED TO MAKE A DECISION!

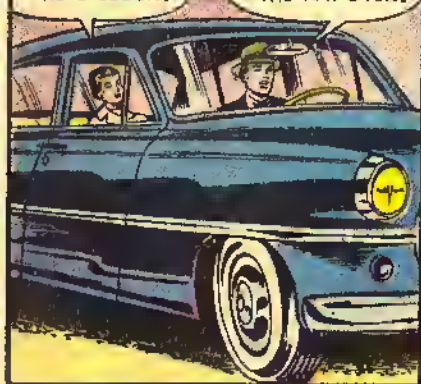
OH, JERRY, JERRY, HAVE YOU REALLY LOST YOUR LOVE FOR ME...OR WAS THIS JUST A HEADSTRONG MISTAKE? PERHAPS THERE'S SOME REASON FOR IT ALL! I-I MUSTN'T CONDEMN YOU UNTIL I'M SURE!

LOVE LETTERS

SO I BEGAN MY GAME OF CAT AND MOUSE WITH JERRY...SEEKING TO LEARN IF HE WAS REALLY CHEATING ON ME!

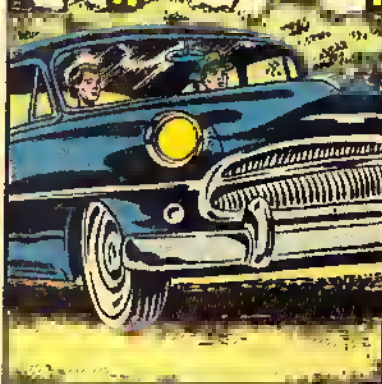
YOU SAID YOU WOULD BE HERE AT EIGHT, JERRY! IT'S ALMOST NINE O'CLOCK!

OH, I'M SORRY, DORIS! I HAD A FLAT TIRE ON THE WAY OVER!



OH! WHAT... GARAGE DID YOU GO TO, JERRY?

WHY, THE CENTER STREET GARAGE! BUT... WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES THAT MAKE?



DAY AFTER DAY I DESPERATELY TRIED TO SEE IF HE WERE DECEIVING ME! ONE EVENING WHEN HE SAID HE WAS WORKING LATE...

I-I DON'T SEE HIM INSIDE! MAYBE HE IS OUT WITH ANOTHER GIRL!



SUDDENLY...

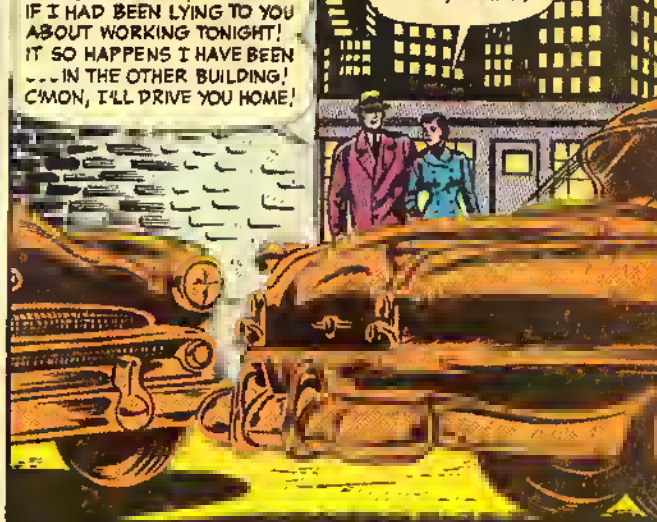
HELLO, DORIS! LOOKING FOR SOMEONE?

O-OH, I WAS JUST GOING BY, JERRY...AND THOUGHT I'D LOOK IN!



SURE, LOOKING IN TO SEE IF I HAD BEEN LYING TO YOU ABOUT WORKING TONIGHT! IT SO HAPPENS I HAVE BEEN ...IN THE OTHER BUILDING! C'MON, I'LL DRIVE YOU HOME!

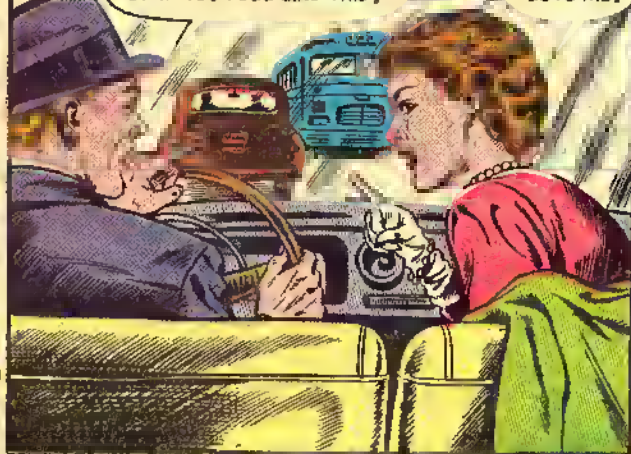
Y-YES, JERRY!



EACH DAY JERRY AND I GREW FURTHER AND FURTHER APART! AND MY SUSPICIONS WERE EATING OUR LOVE AWAY! FINALLY AFTER A DANCE!

LOOK, FOR THE LAST TIME I'M TELLING YOU I CAN'T SEE YOU ON SUNDAY BECAUSE I'M DRIVING MY FOLKS TO SEE SOME OF OUR RELATIVES! YOU DON'T OWN ME! MAYBE WE SHOULD BREAK UP IF YOU FEEL LIKE THIS!

S-SO IT IS TRUE! YOU DON'T REALLY LOVE ME!



SOB! SOB! ALL RIGHT, WE'RE THROUGH! I-I NEVER WANT TO SEE YOU AGAIN!



LOVE LETTERS

THE APARTMENT DOOR WAS AJAR AS I ENTERED HEARTBROKEN AND...

OH, YES, GLORIA, EVERYTHING IS GOING ALONG JUST AS I EXPECTED! IT WON'T BE LONG NOW BEFORE HE DROPS HER!

SOB!
SOB!
???

AS I LOOKED DOWN AT THE ADDRESS BOOK OPEN ON THE TABLE BESIDE LANA!

T-THAT NAME AND NUMBER! THAT WAS THE GIRL WHOSE NAME WAS ON THE MATCHBOOK! YOU WERE SPEAKING TO HER!

MY SENSES SPUN AS I TURNED ON LANA!

I SEE IT NOW! YOU PLANTED THAT MATCHBOX ON THE COUCH! A-AND YOU HAD IT PLANNED SO THAT WHEN I CALLED THAT NUMBER YOUR GIRL FRIEND WOULD LIE FOR YOU!

YES, I DID PLAN IT THAT WAY! AND I PUT THE GLOVE IN JERRY'S CAR ALSO! BUT YOU DISCOVERED IT TOO LATE TO HELP YOU, DORIS! JERRY DROPPED ME BECAUSE I WAS JEALOUS OF HIM AND I CAN TELL HE'S DROPPING YOU FOR THE SAME REASON! I COULDN'T BEAR YOUR HAVING HIM WHEN I HAD LOST HIM!

BUT AS LANA CRUELLY CONTINUED...

JERRY HATES JEALOUS, SUSPICIOUS PEOPLE AND YOU'LL NEVER CONVINCE HIM NOW THAT YOU WERE TRICKED...

OH, YES SHE WILL, LANA! YOU'VE ALREADY DONE THE JOB FOR HER!

YOU FORGOT YOUR WRAP, DARLING... AND THANK HEAVENS YOU DID! DORIS, I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN YOU COULDN'T BE SUCH A SUSPICIOUS PERSON! CAN YOU EVER FORGIVE ME? I'VE HEARD EVERYTHING!

OH, JERRY, JERRY, DARLING... FORGIVE ME FOR EVER DOUBTING YOUR LOVE IN SPITE OF LANA'S TRAP!

THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT IT...WE ARE MEANT FOR EACH OTHER!

YES, JERRY, YES...

I WAS FORCED TO CHOOSE BETWEEN TWO COURSES IN LIFE... THE ONE MY SISTER IRENE INSISTED UPON AS A PROTECTION AGAINST HEARTBREAK OR THE ONE CAL HUBBARD PROPOSED AS THE PATH TO PERFECT HAPPINESS! WHICH WOULD IT BE? I WAS CAUGHT IN A WEB OF TANGLED EMOTIONS AND DREADFUL INDECISION...

Which Path is Mine?



The DAY OF IRENE'S WEDDING BROUGHT MIXED JOY AND GRIEF TO ME! SHE WAS MY ONLY SISTER AND WE WERE DEEPLY DEVOTED TO EACH OTHER!

IRENE, YOU LOOK SO BEAUTIFUL! AND I'M SO THRILLED FOR YOU, ONLY...

ONLY WHAT, PHYLLIS?



WE'VE NEVER BEEN APART BEFORE! I'LL BE LONESOME WITHOUT YOU, THAT'S ALL!

I'LL MISS YOU, TOO, HONEY! BUT IT HAS TO BE THIS WAY! IT MEANS MY HAPPINESS!



LOVE LETTERS

I'M DELIRIOUSLY HAPPY, PHYLLIS! AND I KNOW I'LL ALWAYS BE SO WITH GERALD! HE'S THE MOST WONDERFUL MAN IN THE WHOLE WORLD!

I KNOW! DO YOU THINK FOR ONE MINUTE I'D WANT IT TO BE DIFFERENT?

Gerald BROMLEY SEEMED TO BE ALL ANY GIRL COULD ASK FOR IN A HUSBAND! HE AND IRENE LEFT IMMEDIATELY AFTER THEIR MARRIAGE FOR THEIR NEW HOME IN A DISTANT CITY! HER LETTERS WERE ALWAYS FILLED WITH PRAISE FOR HIM UNTIL ONE DAY, ABOUT A YEAR LATER...

Phyllis, dear -
This will probably come as a shock to you but Gerald and I broke up!
Can you come to be with me for a while? I desperately need you -
Love
Irene

I CAN'T BELIEVE SUCH A THING COULD HAPPEN TO THEM!

I WENT AT ONCE TO BE WITH HER! AND THE IRENE I FOUND THEN WAS FAR FROM THE LOVELY, RADIANT BRIDE THAT SHE HAD BEEN WHEN I LAST SAW HER!

IT WAS WRONG FROM THE BEGINNING! HE WASN'T AT ALL THE PERSON I THOUGHT HE WAS! I'VE BEEN MISERABLE FROM THE START!

WHY DIDN'T YOU WRITE ME ABOUT IT?

I THOUGHT THINGS MIGHT CHANGE! BUT THEY DIDN'T! GERALD FOUND SOMEONE ELSE!

YOU HAVE TO SNAP OUT OF THIS, IRENE! JUST BECAUSE YOU LOST THE MAN YOU LOVE...

I DON'T LOVE HIM! NOT NOW!

I HATE HIM! I'LL NEVER LOVE OR TRUST ANOTHER MAN AS LONG AS I LIVE!

LOVE LETTERS

I DECIDED TO STAY ON WITH IRENE AND HELP HER GET A NEW START! AND I SUCCEEDED PRETTY WELL! SHE GOT A JOB AND SO DID I, BOTH IN THE SAME PUBLICITY OFFICE! AND THAT'S WHERE WE MET CAL HUBBARO!

HONEY, I HAVE TWO PASSES TO THE CIRCUS TONIGHT! AND I'D LIKE TO GO IF YOU GO WITH ME!

THE CIRCUS? SURE, CAL, I'D LOVE TO!



GOOD! I'LL PICK YOU UP AT YOUR APARTMENT AT A QUARTER TO EIGHT!



IT'S A DATE!

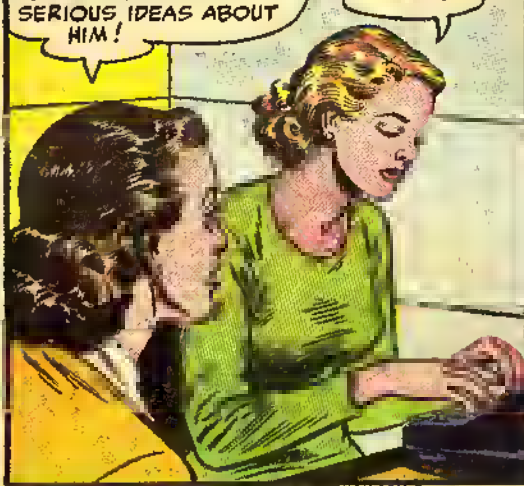
I HEARD YOUR CONVERSATION WITH CAL! THAT YOU'RE GOING OUT WITH HIM TONIGHT!

SURE! WHY NOT?



NO REASON WHY YOU SHOULDN'T! ONLY DON'T BE SILLY AND GET ANY SERIOUS IDEAS ABOUT HIM!

IT HADN'T EVEN ENTERED MY MIND!



I'd ALWAYS BEEN CRAZY ABOUT CIRCUSES! AND CAL AND I HAD A LOT OF FUN THAT NIGHT. GEE, I HADN'T FED PEANUTS TO THE ELEPHANTS SINCE I WAS A KID!

LOOK! SHE WANTS MORE!

PLENTY MORE WHERE THESE CAME FROM!



AND HOW ABOUT A BALLOON?

OH, SURE! I SIMPLY MUST HAVE A BALLOON, CAL!



AND SOME PINK LEMONADE!

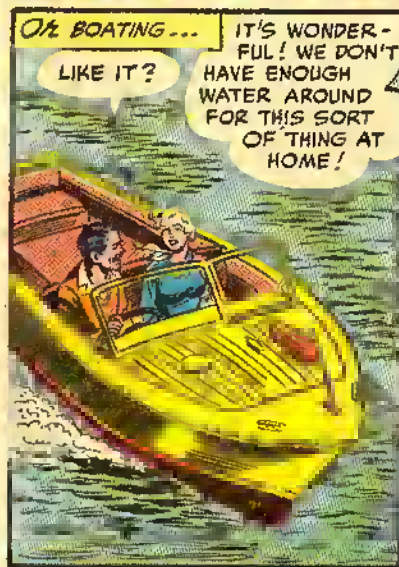
I SHOULD HAVE THOUGHT OF IT BEFORE! WHAT'S A CIRCUS WITHOUT PINK LEMONADE?



LOVE LETTERS



I WASN'T IN LOVE WITH CAL THEN... THAT WAS TO COME LATER! BUT I LIKED BEING WITH HIM AND IT SEEMED TO BE A MUTUAL FEELING! I BEGAN TO GO OUT WITH HIM FREQUENTLY! DANCING...



When WE GOT TO HIS PARKED CAR, CAL KISSED ME!



LOVE LETTERS



MARRY ME, PHYLLIS! I'LL SPEND MY WHOLE LIFE TRYING TO MAKE YOU HAPPY!

WELL, I...



YOU DON'T HAVE TO ANSWER THIS MINUTE! BUT LET ME KNOW SOON!

I WILL, CAL! REAL SOON! AND I THINK I'LL SAY YES!

I WAS BLISSFULLY, ECSTATICALLY HAPPY! I KNEW THEN I WAS IN LOVE WITH CAL AND CONVINCED THAT HE WAS THE RIGHT MAN FOR ME UNTIL...



PHYLLIS, I'VE BEEN WORRIED! IT'S TERRIBLY LATE!

IS IT? I'M SORRY, IRENE! I DIDN'T REALIZE THAT I'D BE CAUSING YOU ANY CONCERN!



YOU'VE CAUSED ME MORE THAN YOU KNOW, PHYLLIS! YOU'VE BEEN SEEING CAL ENTIRELY TOO OFTEN!

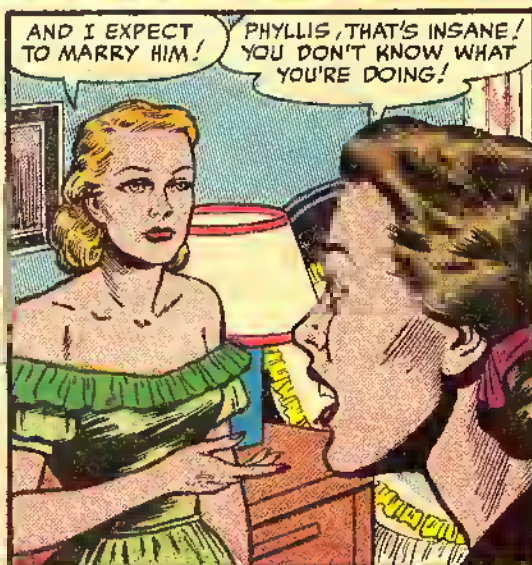
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?



I'M NOT GOING TO SIT BY AND SEE YOU GET SERIOUS ABOUT HIM! OR ANYONE, FOR THAT MATTER! I INSIST THAT YOU QUIT SEEING CAL!

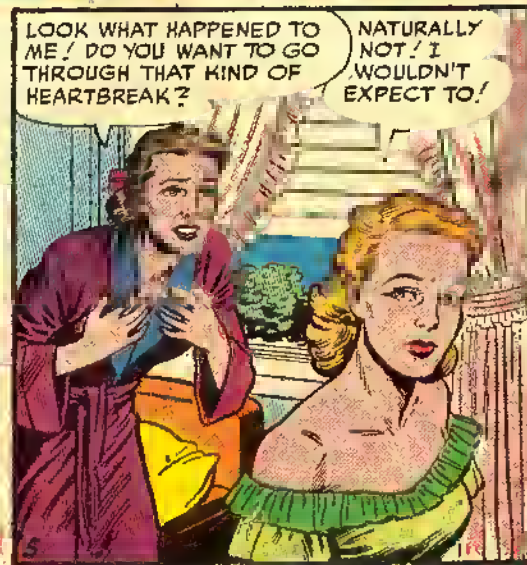
YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO TELL ME WHAT TO DO! BESIDES, YOU'RE TOO LATE! I'M IN LOVE WITH HIM!

A LOOK OF PANIC FLASHED ACROSS IRENE'S FACE... A LOOK THAT ACTUALLY FRIGHTENED ME... WHEN I SPOKE THE NEXT WORDS...



AND I EXPECT TO MARRY HIM!

PHYLLIS, THAT'S INSANE! YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING!

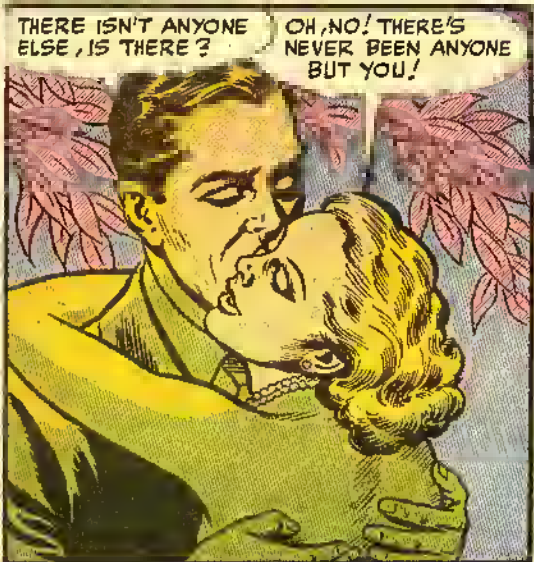


LOOK WHAT HAPPENED TO ME! DO YOU WANT TO GO THROUGH THAT KIND OF HEARTBREAK?

NATURALLY NOT! I WOULDN'T EXPECT TO!



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EYE! EVEN
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OFFICE...



LOVE LETTERS

I KNEW I HAD TO BE ALDNE TO GET MY MIND UNTANGLED! SO I ASKED FOR TWO DAYS OFF, PACKED HURRIEDLY THAT AFTERNOON AND CHECKED IN AT A HOTEL IN A NEARBY TOWN! AND ALL THAT NIGHT...

I'M ONLY TRYING TO PROTECT YOU!

DARLING, I LOVE YOU!

REMEMBER MY MARRIAGE!

I'LL MAKE YOU HAPPY!

ALL THE NEXT DAY, I WAS STILL CAUGHT IN THE WEB OF INDECISION! BUT THAT EVENING...

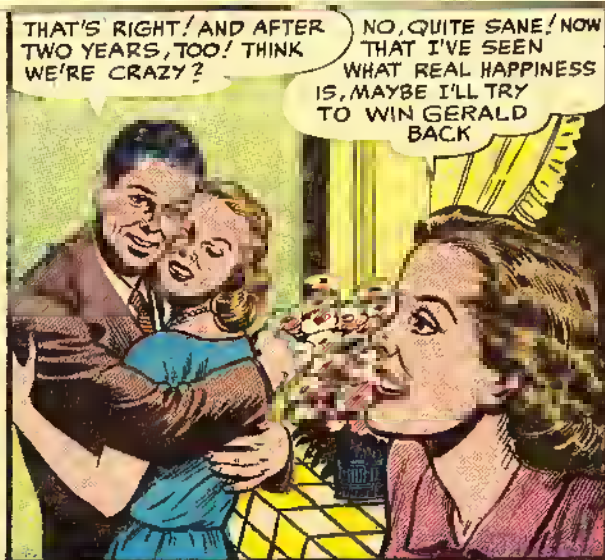
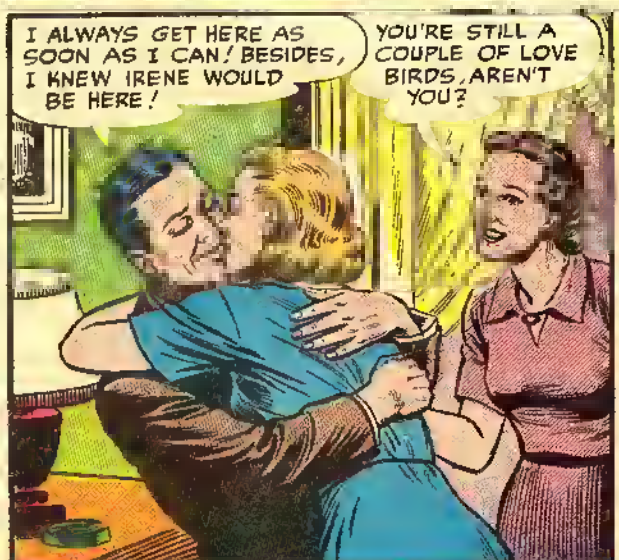
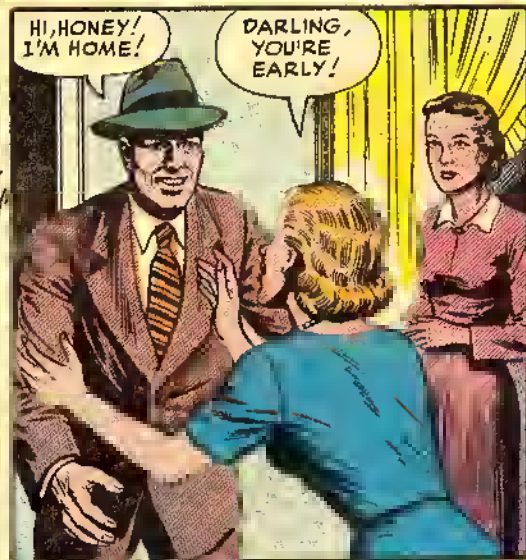
TABLE FOR ONE?

THANKS, FOLKS, FOR COMING HERE ON OUR FIFTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY! MY ONLY REGRET IS THAT MAMMA AND I DIDN'T MEET A FEW YEARS SOONER!



*Cal, darling
My answer is yes. I'll be back on Thursday morning and we'll be married whenever you say
Phyllis*

WE HAD A SIMPLE WEDDING, BUT IT WAS WONDERFUL TO ME! IRENE ATTENDED RATHER RELUCTANTLY! YET LAST NIGHT, WHEN SHE CAME TO DINNER...



Foolish Fancy

IT was a special pep assembly for a forthcoming football game and the team was seated upon the stage! The coach praised them for former successes and urged the student body to back them up with plenty of spirit! And the high school auditorium fairly shook as the cheer leaders directed the yells!

Then the Captain of the team was called upon to make a speech and that was when Diane Clark, then only fifteen, fell head over heels in love with Jim Lockwood! He was big and broad-shouldered and had unruly curly hair and a shy smile! She had always admired him but it was as if something snapped that day and she saw him as the man of her dreams! After that, in foolish fancy, she visualized herself as his sweetheart! She watched her hero at every game, felt a personal pride when he was awarded special honors, and was grieved the day she saw him graduate!

In her room, she looked at his newspaper pictures on her wall! "He's gone now," she sighed to herself! "I'm so much in love with him and he doesn't even know that I exist!"

She found out the next Fall in school that Jim had gone away to college! She had dates with other boys but they weren't interesting! Finally she was graduated herself and, even after senior parties with other fellows, she held the image of Jim in her mind! He was still her ideal!

The next year, she had a job in a large insurance office and the girls taunted her because she didn't join them on their dates! "Get yourself a boy friend," said Shirley Allen. "Don't just sit back and be an old maid!"

"I have a boy friend," snapped Diane. "Jim Lockwood!"

It slipped out before she could think what she was saying! "Oh!" smiled Shirley with a lifted eyebrow. "Where is he? Why haven't we ever seen him?"

"He—he's away at college," answered Diane. "But he writes me regularly!"

Shirley told the other girls about it and dragged Diane along to describe her big moment which she did! But she saw the smiles of doubt flit across their faces!

"I don't know why I ever said a thing like that," she thought later, "but I did and I have to stick to my story or be laughed at!"

That's why, that night, she sat in her room at a desk and typed the following letter to herself:

Dear Diane,

I have to make this brief, darling, because I have a lot of studying to do plus football prac-

tice. But don't ever think that I forget you for one instant. I hate being so far away and am already waiting for the first chance to get back and be with you. Just remember how much I love you and I'll write more next time.

All my love,
Jim

The next day, when Shirley again referred to Diane's heretofore undiscovered and dubious romance, Diane pulled the letter from her purse and presented it as evidence!

"I don't like to show personal letters," she said, "but maybe this will convince you!"

It didn't! She felt sure of that! But she continued to write to herself regularly and pulled the letters from her purse and pored over them at her desk! Then one day, close to the holidays, Fate stepped in and she saw herself trapped in her little game of deception! She was going through the corridor toward her office when she saw him! And he was talking to Shirley!

"I'm Jim Lockwood," she heard him say, "and I came to see—"

"Diane of course," smiled Shirley! "She's told us so much about you and she reads your letters over and over! We've all sort of suspected that you were a myth and she wrote those letters to herself but I see that we were wrong!"

Jim looked puzzled as he watched Shirley run toward Diane! "Honey," she said, "big surprise! Your handsome boy friend is here and he's a hunk of man; all right!"

Diane's heart sank! This was the showdown! Shirley didn't see her turn pale as she walked toward Jim but he did! He also saw that she was the prettiest little thing he'd ever laid eyes on!

"I—I—" she began to stammer! But before she could think of what to say, he had taken her in his arms and was kissing her like the sweetheart he was supposed to be!

"Did you get my last letter, Diane?" he asked, carrying on the pretense! "Is it okay about that date tonight?"

"Sure," she smiled. And she knew he had caught the pitch. The other girls were watching!

They never knew that Jim had really come to the office to see about getting a job there after he was out of college the next Spring! But Diane knew that the letters which came to her all year after that were the real thing! And her romance with Jim Lockwood was real, too—not just a foolish fancy!

My Shameless Vanity



What DRIVING IMPULSE WAS IT THAT MADE ME WANT TO BE BEST, MADE ME SACRIFICE EVERYTHING, EVEN THE LOVE OF THE MAN I WAS TO MARRY, IN A FRENZIED BID FOR COMPLIMENTS?

I HAD THE BEST JOB IN LEESPORT AND I WAS ENGAGED TO MARRY THE MOST WONDERFUL MAN IN TOWN!

IF YOU WEREN'T SUCH AN INVALUABLE LEGAL COUNSEL, DREW, I DON'T THINK I COULD FORGIVE YOU!

SORRY TO BE TAKING AWAY YOUR PRIVATE SECRETARY, MR. BRISTON! BUT IF I DON'T MARRY BETTY, SOME OTHER LUCKY DEVIL WILL!



IF SHE RUNS HER HOME THE WAY SHE RUNS THIS OFFICE, YOU'VE GOT A REAL FIND!

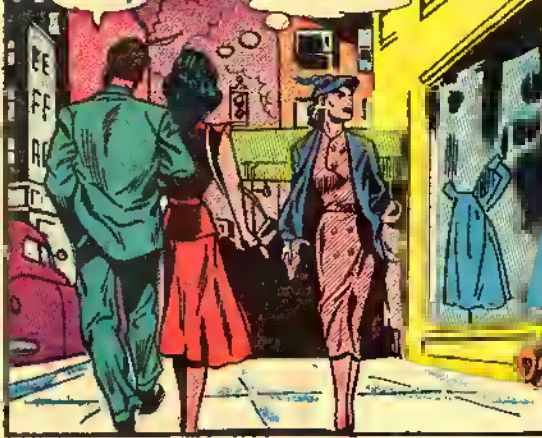
YOU'RE GOING TO MAKE ME CONCEITED, YOU TWO!



PRaise WAS WHAT I CRAVED, AND I WENT OUT OF MY WAY TO CONVINCE DREW THAT I SURPASSED ALL OTHER WOMEN IN EVERY WAY!

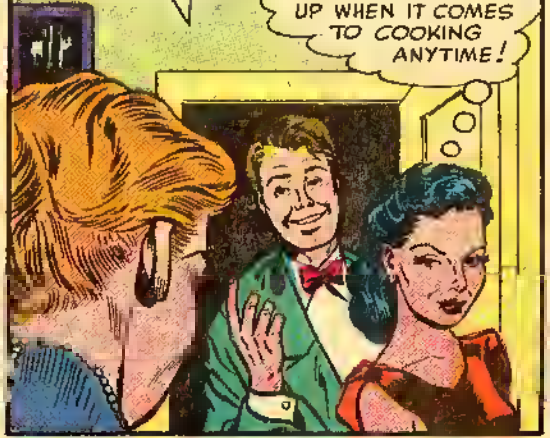
PRETTY DRESS THAT GIRL'S WEARING, ISN'T IT?

HMPH! WAIT UNTIL HE SEES THE TROUSEAU I'M DESIGNING FOR MYSELF!



WONDERFUL DINNER, GLADYS! THANKS FOR INVITING US!

I'LL HAVE TO INVITE DREW FOR DINNER TOMORROW NIGHT! I CAN SHOW GLADYS UP WHEN IT COMES TO COOKING ANYTIME!



SHE'S NOT BAD, BUT...

YOU'VE GOT HER BEAT A MILE, HONEY! YOU JUST WON'T BE SECOND BEST AT ANYTHING, WILL YOU?



IF DREW RESENTED MY VANITY, HE WAS TOO MUCH IN LOVE WITH ME TO SAY SO!

NOW THAT HEROINE WAS DIFFERENT! SHE HAD BEAUTY AND BRAINS!

THAT SOUNDS LIKE A BID FOR A COMPLIMENT, BETTY, BUT I'LL HAVE TO ADMIT YOU HAVE BOTH YOURSELF!



THEN, AS OUR WEDDING DATE GREW NEARER ---

I HATE TO SEE YOU LEAVE NOW, BETTY! WE'RE GOING INTO THE RUSH SEASON AND NOBODY KNOWS THE BUSINESS LIKE YOU DO!

I HATE TO BE LEAVING, MR. BRISTON!



LORNA SHAW'S GOING TO TAKE YOUR PLACE! YOU'D BETTER START BREAKING HER IN SOON!

LORNA SHAW?



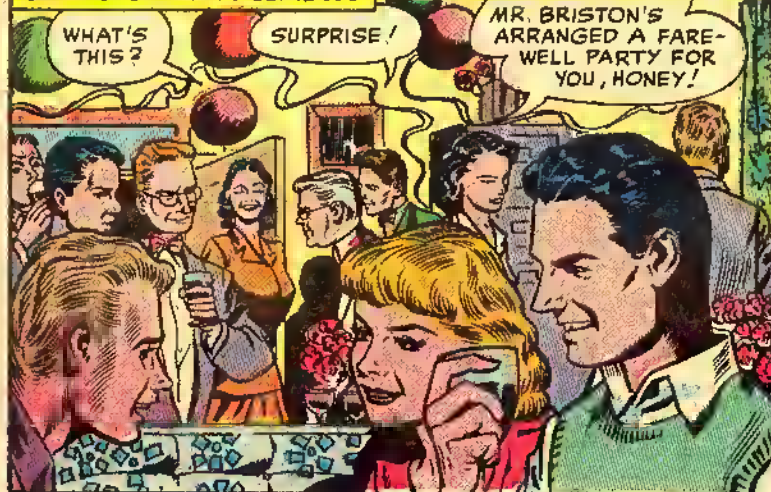
YES, SHE SEEMS TO BE VERY AMBITIOUS, AND ---

YOU KNOW BEST, MR. BRISTON!

THAT DRAB LITTLE MOUSE TAKING OVER MY JOB! AS IF SHE COULD!



UNREASONABLE JEALOUSY RANKLED INSIDE ME! THEN, THE WEEK BEFORE I WAS TO LEAVE ...



WHAT'S THIS?

SURPRISE!

MR. BRISTON'S ARRANGED A FAREWELL PARTY FOR YOU, HONEY!

FAREWELL FOR YOU AND CELEBRATING LORNA'S PROMOTION, TOO!

YOU CAN'T IMAGINE HOW MUCH THIS MEANS TO ME!



IT'S SUCH A WONDERFUL POSITION! AND SO IMPORTANT, TOO!

BETTY KNOWS THAT, BUT SHE'S WILLING TO SWAP IT FOR A HOUSEWIFE'S JOB, AREN'T YOU, DEAR?



The
"WORD"
"HOUSE
WIFE"
GRATED ON MY NERVES, ESPECIALLY WHEN I SAW THE ATTENTION CENTERING ON LORNA!

IF YOU HAVE ANY TROUBLE WITH CONTRACTS, JUST CALL ON ME, LORNA! I'VE HANDLED MR. BRISTON'S LEGAL MATTERS FOR TWO YEARS AND I'LL BE GLAD TO HELP!

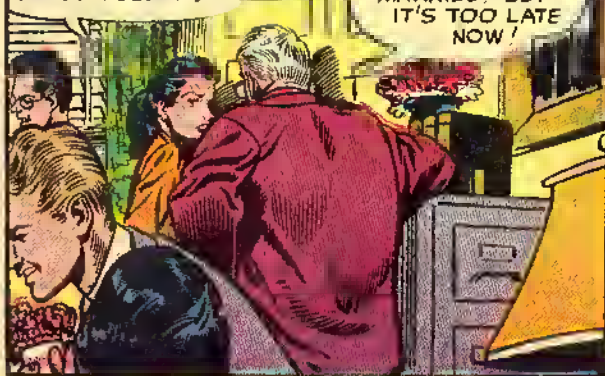
THAT'S VERY KIND! I KNOW I'LL NEED YOU!



And suddenly I made an impulsive, callous decision!

I'M WORRIED, MR. BRISTON! I JUST DON'T FEEL RIGHT ABOUT LEAVING YOU NOW WHEN I'M SO BADLY NEEDED!

I THOUGHT ABOUT ASKING YOU TO WORK AWHILE AFTER YOU'RE MARRIED! BUT IT'S TOO LATE NOW!



IT'S NOT TOO LATE! WE CAN EXPLAIN IT TO LORNA! I JUST **CAN'T** LET YOU DOWN!

YOU'RE A WONDER, BETTY! YOU CAN EXPECT A SUBSTANTIAL RAISE IF YOU STAY!

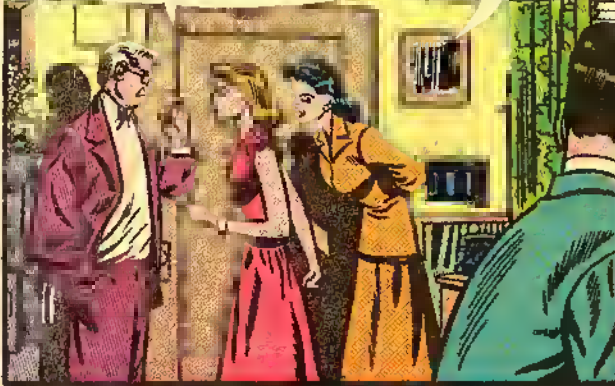


LOVE LETTERS

TRIUMPHANT, I COULD HARDLY WAIT TO REGAIN MY SPOT IN THE LIMELIGHT!

I ONLY HOPE I CAN HANDLE ALL THE RESPONSIBILITY THAT GOES WITH THIS JOB, MR. LESTER!

ER...MR. BRISTON AND I WERE JUST DISCUSSING THAT, LORNA!



IN FACT, WE DECIDED NOT TO MAKE THE CHANGE JUST NOW! I'M GOING TO WORK FOR AT LEAST ANOTHER YEAR!

YOU MADE A DECISION LIKE THAT WITHOUT ME?



IT WON'T EFFECT US, DEAR! I'M SURE I CAN MANAGE A HOME AND THE OFFICE, TOO!

BUT...I'VE COUNTED ON THIS BREAK!



THE EXTRA MONEY WAS GOING TO SEND MY KID BROTHER TO SCHOOL! SOBE HOW CAN YOU BE SO SELFISH?

HUH! WHAT AN EXECUTIVE! SHE BURSTS INTO TEARS!



ANY WOMAN WOULD! NOT A VAIN, UNFEELING, INCONSIDERATE OFFICE MACHINE LIKE YOU!

DREW!



OH, YOU CAN DO ANYTHING, CAN'T YOU? AND YOU DON'T CARE WHO PAYS THE PRICE, JUST SO YOU CAN BE BEST!

YOU CAN'T TALK TO ME THAT WAY!

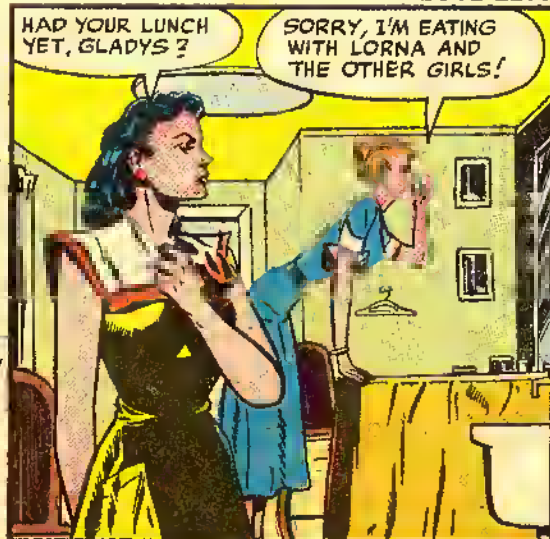


CAN'T I? LOOK, BETTY! MAYBE YOU CAN RUN AN OFFICE AND A HOME, TOO! BUT IT WON'T BE MY HOME! I'VE SEEN WHAT YOU ARE AND I'M THROUGH!

OH, NO!

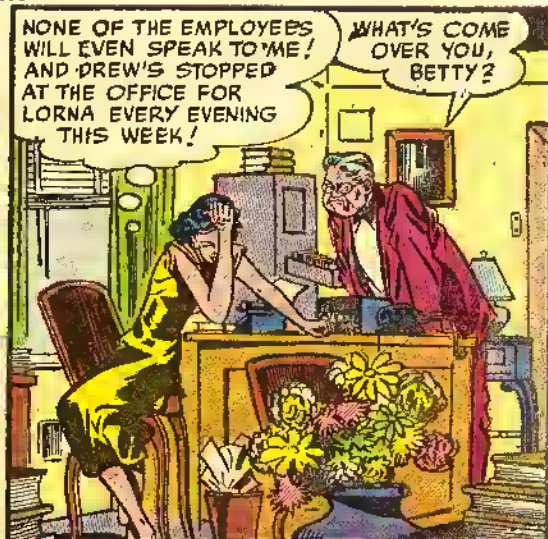


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WEEKS
THAT
FOLLOWED!



HAD YOUR LUNCH
YET, GLADYS?

SORRY, I'M EATING
WITH LORNA AND
THE OTHER GIRLS!



NONE OF THE EMPLOYEES
WILL EVEN SPEAK TO ME!
AND DREW'S STOPPED
AT THE OFFICE FOR
LORNA EVERY EVENING
THIS WEEK!

WHAT'S COME
OVER YOU,
BETTY?



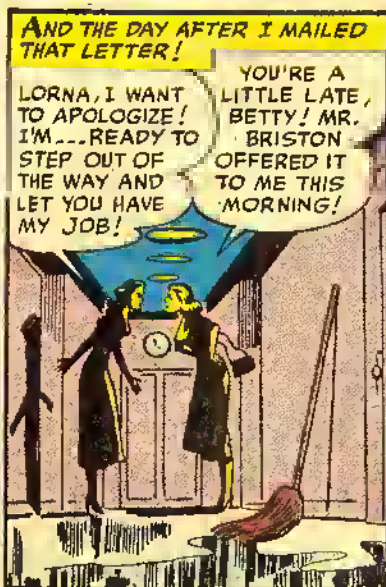
WE LOST THAT JUDSON ORDER
BECAUSE OF YOUR CARELESS-
NESS AND NOW YOU'VE MADE
A MESS OF THIS WATKINS
STEEL CONTRACT!

I'M SORRY, MR.
BRISTON! I...I
CAN'T SEEM TO
CONCENTRATE!



And FINALLY IN DESPERATION...

DEAREST DREW...
I'M GOING TO LEAVE
MY JOB AND TRY TO
PROVE I'M WORTHY
OF YOUR LOVE!
PLEASE TRY TO
FORGIVE ME,
DARLING! I'VE
LEARNED MY
LESSON!



AND THE DAY AFTER I MAILED
THAT LETTER!

LORNA, I WANT
TO APOLOGIZE!
I'M...READY TO
STEP OUT OF
THE WAY AND
LET YOU HAVE
MY JOB!

YOU'RE A
LITTLE LATE,
BETTY! MR.
BRISTON
OFFERED IT
TO ME THIS
MORNING!



AND IF YOUR OFFER
HAS ANYTHING TO
DO WITH MY GIVING
UP DREW, I
WOULDN'T BE
INTERESTED!

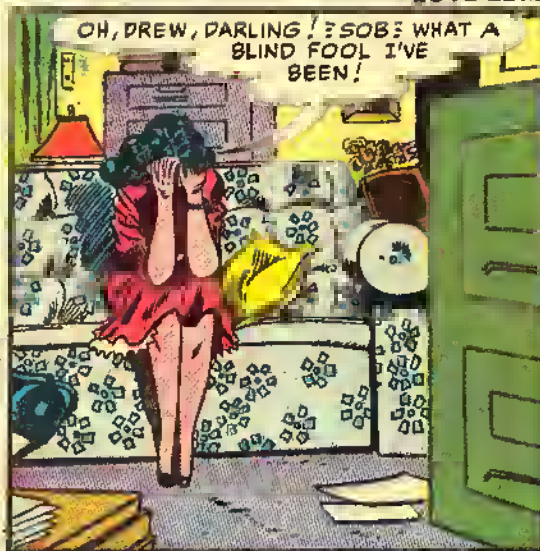
HI, LORNA!
READY
TO...OH!
I DIDN'T
SEE YOU!



DREW...
DIDN'T YOU
GET MY
LETTER?
I...

I DIDN'T BOTHER TO
OPEN IT! ANYWAY,
YOU'VE ALREADY TOLD
ME HOW WONDERFUL
YOU ARE! LET'S GO,
LORNA!

With
AN
ANGUISHED
HEART I
REALIZED
THAT
APOLOGIES
WERE NOT
ENOUGH!
I HAD
LOST MY
PRECIOUS
FRIENDS...
AND THE
MAN I
LOVED!



BUT BEFORE A MONTH HAD PASSED...

MR. BRISTON! YOUNG LADY, YOU COME
ALONG WITH ME!



And SOON...

BUT...I DON'T
UNDERSTAND,
MR. BRISTON!
WHAT...?

FIRST I MAKE
YOU SWELL-
HEADED WITH
COMPLIMENTS,
NOW LORNA'S
GOTTEN SO
SHE THINKS
SHE'S QUEEN
OF THE
UNIVERSE!

MEANWHILE, MY LEGAL
DEPARTMENT IS GOING
TO BLAZES! LOOK
OVER THERE! THAT'S
ALL HE'S DONE FOR
TWO WEEKS!

DREW!



I NEED A LAWYER AND
YOU NEED A HUSBAND!
WELL, DON'T JUST
STAND HERE, BETTY!
GO TALK TO HIM!

HE LOOKS
SO
MISERABLE!



DREW! OH, DARLING,
IT'S ALL MY FAULT!

BETTY!



IT'S **NOT** ALL YOUR
FAULT! I SHOULDN'T
HAVE BEEN SUCH A
PROUD STUBBORN
IDIOT AFTER I READ
YOUR LETTER!

I... DIDN'T
REALIZE BEFORE
HOW MUCH I WANT
TO BE JUST PLAIN
MRS. DREW LESTER!



I
KNEW MR.
BRISTON
WAS WATCH-
ING AND
SMILING,
BUT AS
DREW'S
LIPS FOUND
MINE,
NOTHING
MATTERED!
I WAS FIRST
IN THE
HEART OF
THE MAN I
LOVED...
THE MOST
IMPORTANT
POSITION
IN THE
WORLD!

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NAME _____ AGE _____

ADDRESS _____ SIZE _____

CITY _____ STATE _____

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BACK
GUARANTEE**

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WILL LOSE UP TO
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10 POUNDS IN 10 DAYS*
15 POUNDS IN 15 DAYS*
25 POUNDS IN 25 DAYS*
AND KEEP IT OFF" ****

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**You Will Always Want to Keep on Eating Kelpidine Candy—and Keep on the Plan—it KEEPS Weight Off!

**THIS CANDY MUST
TASTE AS GOOD AS
OR BETTER THAN
YOUR FAVORITE
CANDY OR YOUR
MONEY BACK!**

Now at last science has discovered a new delightfully thrilling way to take off fat—to lose up to 25 lbs. safely! The secret is that Kelpidine Candy satisfies your craving for high caloric food! It keeps you from overeating—the reason most doctors give for being fat! It's the best aid to will power, cuts your craving for food!

**NO DANGEROUS DRUGS!
NO HARDSHIP DIETS!**

Here is thrilling news for fat folks! You can lose up to 25 lbs. in 25 days by simply nibbling on truly appetite satisfying candy, whenever you are tempted to overeat.

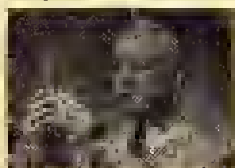
**YOUR MONEY BACK IF YOU
DON'T REDUCE TO THE
WEIGHT THAT MOST
BECOMES YOU!**

Thousands of people were amazed to find that this delicious candy plan actually takes off weight—without dangerous drugs, starvation diet, or hard-to-follow methods. Here's one way to reduce that you will want to continue with to keep off fat! The Kelpidine Candy Plan helps you curb your appetite for fattening foods, helps keep you from overeating. Now you reach for a delicious sweet candy instead of fattening foods—it kills the overpowering urge to overeat—to eat between meal-snacks. Your craving for rich, fattening foods is satisfied with this candy plan. Almost like magic you begin to enjoy this plan for reducing.

**SENSATIONAL TWO-WAY
GUARANTEE!**

This sweet delicious Kelpidine Candy plan is guaranteed (1) to

take off up to 10 pounds of excess weight in 10 days. (2) to taste better or as good as your favorite candy and to be the best plan you ever followed or you get your money back.



**SCIENTIFICALLY AND
CLINICALLY TESTED!**

That amazing ingredient in Kelpidine candy is the most remarkable discovery for fat people ever made. It's been tested by doctors in test-after-test. The results were far better than doctors ever hoped for! The results were reported in medical journals throughout the world! Doctors are invited to write for details.

**HERE'S HOW TO REDUCE
AND STAY SLIM!**

Most people are fat because of overeating—too much high caloric fattening foods—to your amusement. You will want to keep on eating this delicious candy even after you have reduced to the weight that most becomes you and you'll keep your weight off that way!

**AMAZING DISCOVERY
OF SCIENCE!**

The Kelpidine Candy plan is the result of scientific research for years for a new discovery for something that will stop your craving for fattening food and also satisfy your appetite. This delicious candy does not turn into ugly fat, it gives you the same feeling of fullness you have after you have eaten a satisfying meal. It kills your desire to overeat—it kills your craving for bedtime snacks and for in-between meal snacks. It's so safe even a child

**IT'S UNHEALTHY
TO BE FAT!**

Insurance companies and doctors tell everyone that too much fat shortens your life! Fat people die years sooner than people with normal weight! So be fat! Be fat for yourself! Start taking off ugly fat with delicious tasting Kelpidine Candy plan!

can take it without bad effects. With Kelpidine Candy all you taste is its deliciousness—you can't tell the difference!

**KELPIDINE CANDY IS
DIFFERENT!**

The amazing clinically tested and proven reducing substance contained in Kelpidine Candy is prescribed by many doctors—Don't be misled by imitation products—Kelpidine Candy is the result of scientific research and is the last word in Reducing.

**DON'T CUT OUT FOODS—CUT
DOWN ON CALORIES!**

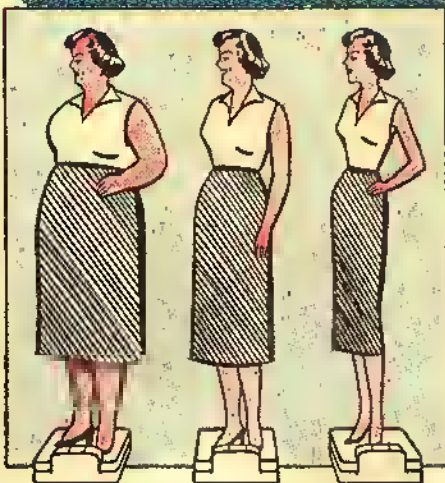
You never starve, you always feel full with Kelpidine Candy plan—You'll never suffer hunger pangs—Your desire for high caloric fattening foods is always satisfied! With Kelpidine Candy Plan you eat the same quantity of foods—you merely cut down on the high caloric rich foods with the help of Kelpidine Candy. You eat, as much as you want, your caloric intake will be less—That's the delightful amazing thing!

**YOU GET A LIBERAL
SUPPLY OF CANDY!**

Try the liberal supply of Kelpidine Candy Plan on our 10-day no risk offer! Keep a record of your weight—if you are not pleased with your loss of weight; if you can taste any difference between this candy and your favorite candy—return for refund. Just fill out coupon and mail to AMERICAN HEALTHAIDS CO., Dept. K-277, Candy Division, 318 Market St., Newark, N.J.

MONEY BACK GUARANTEE

You must be entirely satisfied with your loss of weight—This candy must taste as good as or better than your favorite candy—You must get rid of dangerous excess fat or your money will be refunded—Don't delay—You have nothing to lose but excess weight so mail coupon below now!



**THIS CAN HAPPEN TO YOU!
WITH THIS DELICIOUS REDUCING CANDY PLAN!**

Let this delicious candy plan help you control your desire for fattening food! Let it help you put a stop to the habit of overeating. A habit that's so hard to break! Kelpidine candy contains that new discovery many doctors prescribe to help curb your desire to overeat (the main cause of overweight).

**\$1.00
TRIAL
SAMPLE
SIZE!**

CUT OUT AND MAIL—NO RISK COUPON NOW!

AMERICAN HEALTHAIDS COMPANY, Dept. K-1,
Candy Division, Dept. K277
318 Market Street, Newark, New Jersey

- ☐ I enclose \$1.00, send trial sample size, postage pre-paid!
- ☐ Rush a Liberal Supply of Kelpidine Candy plan. I enclose \$3.00, send postage pre-paid. (I save up to 75c postage by sending payment with order.)
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Pick the dress you like best— I'll show you how to make it yours—FREE!

Under my wonderful new Home "Style Show" Plan
you can be the best dressed woman in town—and
MAKE LOTS OF EXTRA MONEY, TOO!

Just look at the lovely fashions pictured on
this page. These are only a few of the scores
you can choose from, under my wonderful new



Plan by which you can carry a
"Style Show" in a folder. Hunder-
reds of women—mothers,
housewives, school teachers,
working girls—all are now get-
ting new dresses FREE this easy
way as extra rewards. *You can,
too!* Starting right now, you can
have all the new clothes you want. Best of all,
you can make lots of extra money, too—yours
to keep—even in your spare time!

You see, I am the wife of the head of a com-
pany that makes these glamorous New York
and Hollywood styled dresses. I meet smart
women at Fashion Shows and other gather-
ings which I attend as head of the Board of
Fashion Design. And I create the Maisonette-
styled Frocks that are worn by fashion-con-
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You Simply Wear and Show Newest Fashions

Under my Plan, you simply wear and show
our new dresses to your friends and neighbors.
It doesn't make a speck of difference what
size dress you wear, either. That's because
Maisonette Frocks are styled to look wonder-
ful on everybody. And, in addition, I supply
you—Free of Charge—with a "Style Show" in
a folder. Naturally all the women with
whom you come in contact rave about your

clothes. Then—with your Home Style Show
—it's just a matter of writing up their orders.

No Experience Needed—No Canvassing Required

It's not surprising that women everywhere
find it easy to make money with Maisonette.
Mrs. Loda Edwards, for example, made \$17.00
on just one order. Mrs. Marjorie Tendell has
four small children . . . and writes to tell us
that for the number of hours she has worked,
she has averaged earnings over \$4.00 per hour!
Miss Morris reports lunching at a favorite
restaurant and the Manager asked to talk to
her when she finished eating. She made \$21.60
on a sale to that one woman! Mrs. Alma
Ruppel of Pennsylvania started talking to a
strange woman in another restaurant. The
woman had admired the Maisonette Style she
was wearing and asked about it. Mrs. Ruppel
took an order from her that paid \$9.50 profit!
Another customer called in two neighbors . . .
and made \$10.50 in one hour.

These are just a few examples of how women
all over America are making money—in spare
time work that is easy, pleasant and dignified.
Today this wonderful opportunity is open to
every woman who wants to make extra money
and, at the same time, get her FREE dresses
under my wonderful Plan!

Everything I Send You Is FREE

Please let me hear from you at once so I can
give you complete details of this new Plan of
mine. Don't send me a penny—just your
name, address and dress size. I'll show you
how easy it is to make good money . . . even
in spare time . . . and get all your new dresses
FREE. Be sure to get in touch with me right
away. Just mail the coupon or put your name
and address on a post card and mail it at
once. Remember . . . everything I send you is
FREE. You don't pay a penny for it now or
any other time.

—MRS. VERA WARD STILSON

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new car and a new home—
all through her earnings
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"Style Show" Plan. Also send me your latest New
York-Hollywood Glamour Book and actual samples of
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My dress size is _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zone _____ State _____

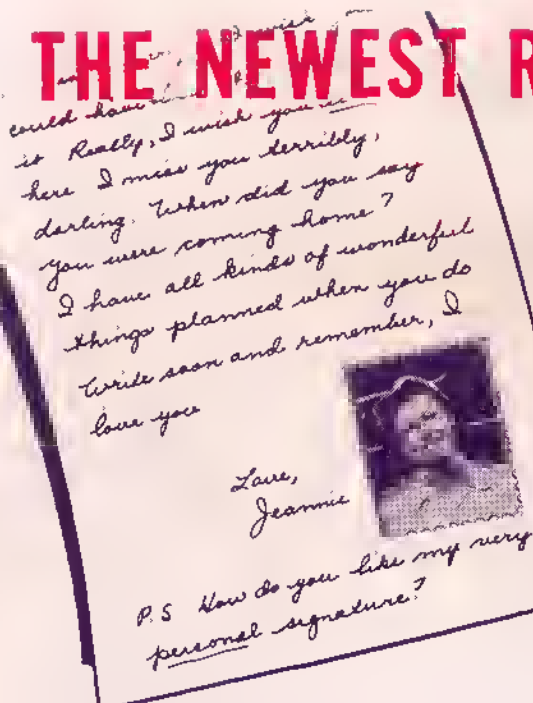


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Dearest Jeannie,
I showed your letter to all the guys, and were
they impressed! They tell me I'm a lucky
man to have such a pretty girl. I sure am.
You know, I'd almost forgotten what a real
kiss-out you are. You're clever, too, to think
of such a wonderful way to sign your letters.
I got some too, so you can impress all your
friends with my handsome face.
Let me tell you again that you're wonderful
Just off the red carpet - I'll be home the
week after next, on the 14th.

All my love,

Bob



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